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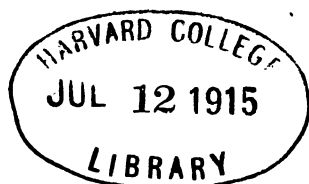
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INTRODUCTION TO VOL. V.

WITH this Number, our Fifth Volume commences, and we have thus accomplished an object hitherto unachieved by any other astrological periodical. We may now safely assume that our permanent success is assured.

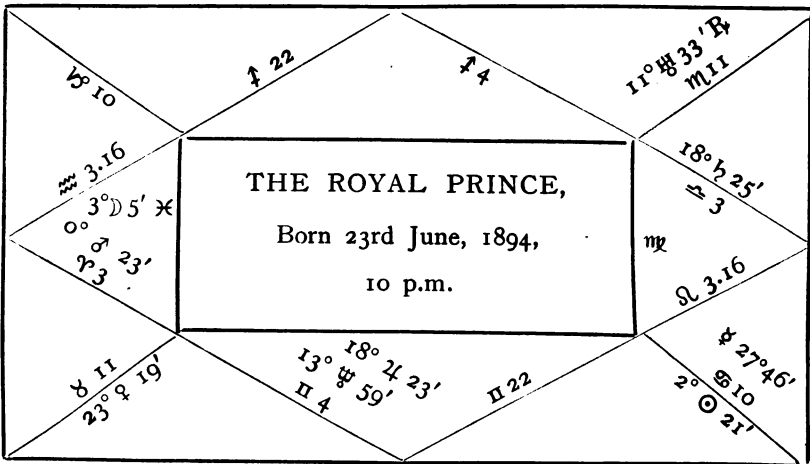
The annual subscribers continue to increase, and our thanks are due to the many friends who have so kindly introduced the magazine to the notice of the general public. Gradually we are trying to make the subject both easy and interesting to those who are not well acquainted with the rudiments of the science.

We shall be glad if those students who have derived benefit from the magazine will send us any reliable information they may have obtained during their astrological experience, such as important events in the lives of persons whose birth-time can be given, so that we can make our pages as interesting as possible.

We further solicit fair and unbiased criticism, firmly believing that the Divine law of Astrology, which governs the universe, cannot be shaken, and that it is the solution of all the present social problems; therefore, it is the duty of everyone concerned with the well-being of humanity to make this law known to all intelligent thinkers, so that ignorance can be dispelled, and Mankind may walk in harmony with Nature.

The Royal Prince.

THE official bulletin, announcing the birth of the Duchess of York's first child, gave the data as "10 p.m." of the 23rd June, 1894. A figure of the Heavens for that time shows the fourth degree of Aquarius rising in the latitude and longitude of the White House, Richmond. Reference to the Epoch shows the first degree of Aquarius on the Ascendant, and this makes a difference of eight minutes in the time of birth. However, to satisfy all concerned, and to avoid unnecessary controversy, we may erect the figure of birth for the recorded time, as follows :—



DECLINATIONS.

♄ 23° 26'	♀ 16° 30'	♄ 4° 50'
♄ 12° 28'	♂ 2° 25'	♄ 14° 56'
♄ 21° 30'	♄ 22° 31'	♄ 21° 3'

ASPECTS.

♄ in ♄ Δ ♄, Δ ♄ R, ♄ ♄
 ♄ in ♄ Δ ♄, ♄ ♂, Δ ♄, Par. ♄
 ♄ in ♄ * ♄, Δ ♂, ♄ ♄, Par. ♄ ♄

Mars, Venus, and Saturn are essentially dignified, and the majority of planets is in *watery* and *cardinal* signs.

The peculiar resemblance of this figure to that of the royal mother is very singular, and will bear closer attention than we can give to it in this place. (Data: 26th May, 1867, at midnight, Kensington).

In the figure before us we see the Sun approaching the sixth house, which he reaches during the early years of life by direction, coming at the same time to a square of Saturn about the eighteenth year. The lord of the Ascendant, Saturn, is in the eighth house, afflicting the Moon in the Ascendant. In the fourth year of life, when the Sun reaches the fifth degree of Cancer, Mars will be in square to the Sun's radical place, and the Moon will join Mars in the configuration, passing on to the affliction of the Sun's progressive place. This will seriously afflict the health of the child, and will produce probably some physical injury, resulting in fever or inflammatory action. The position of the Sun and Mercury in the sixth house, with Saturn in the eighth, and the affliction of the Moon by Saturn, point to a good deal of sickness during the earlier years of life, and an uncertain constitution. About the seventeenth birthday the Moon joins Saturn in the eighth house, and the Sun in the sixth reaches the exact square of Saturn in the radix; while Mercury (from the sixth) will be progressing over the opposition of the Ascendant. If therefore the child should survive the fourth year, he will be in grave danger at the time above indicated, and life will be despaired of.

Should the royal native live and *reach* maturity, it is easy to see from the position of Mars in the second house, that—despite the good fortune represented by Jupiter in *par.* to the Sun, and the Moon trine Sun—he will never be wealthy; but that his expenses will always exceed his income. Moreover, the absence of the chief planets from the fixed signs show little or no control over the impulses, which are strong, owing to Mars being in square to the Sun.

In marriage the native will seek abroad for a partner, and an attachment outside his own country will be contracted, but owing to the planet Uranus being retrograde, the affair will be liable to fall through. The indications of marriage are strongest in the 22nd year, when the Sun reaches the sextile of Venus. The wife answers to the description of the Sun and Mercury in Cancer.

The present figure lacks entirely the essentials of a Royal horoscope, and the position of Jupiter, ruler of the tenth house, in its fall π , confirms this prognostic. The horoscope, in many ways, may be regarded as an ordinary one in every sense. There is very little which calls for special notice. The chief point of interest will be to see how, during the early years of life, the *par.* of Jupiter will protect the Sun from the influence of Mars and Saturn, so as to bring the native to that position in the national life which optimistic writers have already proposed for him.

"SEPHARIAL."

President Carnot's Death.

IT will be observed that the Solar Ingress into Cancer is in some sense defective in its significance of the death of M. Sadi Carnot. The event was one of grave import both to France and the Italian Government. The figure for the Ingress at Paris shows Jupiter in its fall, Gemini, on the Meridian, but not vitally afflicted; while, on the other hand, Mars, lord of the eighth (death), afflicts the Sun in the tenth and from the seventh house; thus indicating the danger to rulers. It would have been difficult, however, to have centred the prediction upon France. It will be noticed further that the aspect of Mars to the Sun is separating at the Ingress of 21st June, whereas the assassination took place on the 24th. It may therefore indicate that the plot was formed against the President of the Republic on the 17th, when the Sun and Mars were in exact square aspect in the twenty-seventh degrees of Gemini and Pisces, in which case the preceding lunation should hold greater significance, since the Ingress had not then transpired.

If reference be made to the lunation of 3rd June, 1894, it will be seen that at Paris Sagittarius is on the Meridian, and Jupiter, its lord, is in its fall, Gemini, conjoined to the lunation and in square aspect to Mars in the first house, and semi-square to Venus, ruler of the eighth, and in the sign of the joint ruler of the eighth—Mercury; while at the

same time Saturn, lord of the figure, is in the House of Death. Now, on the 17th June, when the Sun and Mars formed the square aspect, the Moon was exactly in square to Mars' place at the preceding lunation, and in exact opposition to Jupiter, which planet is found in the Meridian at Paris at the Ingress of June 21st. No doubt greater light will be thrown upon the subject when the horoscopes of M. Sadi Carnot and his miserable assassin are known.

“SEPHARIAL.”

Degrees of the Zodiac Symbolized.

(Continued from page 275.)

C A N C E R .

SIXTEENTH degree.—A man like a Hercules or Samson standing over a slain lion.

It indicates a person of much tenacity and strength of purpose; one who by dint of extreme power, whether physical or mental, will overcome his greatest and most terrible enemies. The native will have much to contend with in life, and will encounter many dangers; but, as indicated, will finally overcome them. Together with this native strength, there may be blended a softness and gentleness of manner which may induce others to attempt an advantage over him; but those Philistines who may have this Samson out (shorn and eyeless though he be) to make sport with him will rue the day. It is a degree of *Conquest*.

17th degree.—A lightning flash.

It indicates a person of extreme nervous energy and force of character, who, by reason of his executive ability and great fund of energy, will take a leading part in the affairs of his community. The native of this sign will, among other things, be a great reformer. He will clear doubts as lightning rends the clouds, and will, while overturning much of existing belief, become a source of illumination to many. It is a degree of *Pioneering*.

18th degree.—A cluster of faded exotics, very sweet and sickly to the smell.

It indicates a person of extreme frailty of character, unable to hold his own in the broad fields of life, and very timorous of exposure to the keen winds of criticism. One who will live in luxury even when of small means ; a person with very little mettle, fond of pleasures, and of fictitious stimulants. The native will eventually fall on evil days. It is a degree of *Satiety*.

19th degree.—An escutcheon containing a harp and a gauntlet.

It denotes a person of noble aspirations and refined tastes. One whose family is connected with the musical or military worlds, and who will have tastes in one or the other direction. In either he will show much aptitude, but in music the executive powers will transcend the ability to compose. As an interpreter of others' works he would shine. In the character there is a peculiar admixture of gentleness and irritability, of playfulness and gravity, which will render the native difficult to deal with. It is a degree of *Execution*.

20th degree.—A man, dressed as a groom, riding upon a spirited horse.

It indicates a person of general aptitude, quick perception, steady mind and able body, who, in some secondary place, will serve the cause of truth : may be as a teacher, or as a priest, or one connected with the Church. Success in life is shown, but not pre-eminence. The life, while useful, will be obscure. It is a degree of *Service*.

21st degree.—A waning moon, amid a bank of clouds, dimly reveals a ship at sea, all but disabled.

It indicates a person of roving, unsettled habits, whose ill-fortune will lead him to many pursuits in quest of wealth, but who eventually will be badly placed, and with little hope of improvement. It indicates that the native will have much aptitude and versatility, but not much perseverance or hopefulness, and this continually, passing from one bad thing to something worse, instead of improving that which he holds. It is a degree of *Instability*.

22nd degree.—A man asleep in the heat of the day ; some implements beside him.

It denotes an unsuccessful person, whose indolence, lack of interest

and energy, will prove the source of much misfortune. Yet the middle of his life will be bright and happy; only, dreaming when he should be working, he will go to a sorry home in the evening of his life. It is a degree of *Indolence*.

23rd degree.—A man standing upon a mountain with a staff in his hand. The setting sun shows his figure in relief.

It indicates a person of aspiring tendencies, fond of adventure and of doing hardy things. In some respects a unique character and, may be, a striking personality. One who, by some effort of his own, will attract attention in the later years of his life, not by any learning or invention, but by prowess or the use of his natural powers. The native may show a strong tendency to mountaineering or to geographical discovery, and will be a great pedestrian. He will be in grave danger during the middle of his career, and will eventually triumph over obstacles, and avoiding dangers will terminate his life extremely well. It is a degree of *Elevation*.

24th degree.—A strong castle on a high rock, and upon the battlements of the castle a flag, with a crown upon it, is seen extended in the wind.

It denotes a strong, masterly character, of great endurance, stability and daring; ambitious of honor, and capable of withstanding his enemies while achieving greatness and fame for himself. It is a degree of *Mastery*.

25th degree.—A horseman armed, moving across a desert towards some woody hills.

It indicates a person of much independence of spirit, self-will, and daring. Such is capable of carrying out designs conceived by himself without the aid or companionship of others. He may be a pioneer; it is certain he is venturesome and self-reliant; and where such qualities may have influence, he will succeed and be singular in honor as in action. The native will be somewhat estranged from his kindred; taciturn and self-contained; but will make his mark in some field of work requiring independence of spirit, courage, and perseverance. It is a degree of *Self-reliance*.

26th degree.—A meteor, or falling star.

It denotes a person of somewhat poetical or asthetic nature, but wholly unsuited to the routine of daily life in its sterner and more prosaic aspects. Like the meteor, he has an eccentric path, and his appearances are spasmodic and evanescent, although bright. His position in life will be always subject to reversals and changes, and his success will not be lasting. If he should attain to eminence, he will be in danger of a fall. It is a degree of *Uncertainty*.

27th degree.—A well-conditioned heifer standing to the plough.

It indicates a person who will owe his success in life to uses imposed upon him by others of greater will and intelligence. It shows a docile and tractable spirit, capable of patient service under the direction or initiative of others; much silent force and endurance, but little self-assertion, originality, or ambition. As a servitor this native will succeed; but would not need to be urged, for both nature and inclination are adapted to patient work. It is a degree of *Docility*.

28th degree.—A beautiful scene of the country, wherein all the elements conspire to enchant the eye and hold the spirit in a mood of silent adoration.

It indicates a nature of extreme susceptibility to the influence of natural forces; a kind, harmonious, and devotional nature; extremely attractive, gentle, and thoughtful. It shows one capable of sustained sympathies, of patient and peaceful mood, pure instincts, and elevated mind. The native will be fond of the open country and the beauties of Nature in every one of its many and changeful aspects. It may induce a taste for horticulture or farming. It is a degree of *Harmony*.

29th degree.—A tethered horse, upon which a tiger is covertly approaching.

It indicates a person of docile and tractable nature, combined with a certain subtlety of mind and high order of intelligence. One who will be held in restraint by others, or whose freedom will be taken by the hand of Fate and the force of circumstances. Although thus held in check, the native will be subject to dangers of an unknown character from secret enemies and jealous foes, and will be in peril of an untimely end. It is a degree of forced *Restraint*.

30th degree. A young horse running across a field with a leading cord in trail ; it lifts its head against the breeze and sniffs the air.

It denotes a person of much intelligence, ardent spirits, somewhat wilful and daring nature ; having a great love of freedom, contempt for public opinion, and much self-reliance. The mind is quick and alert, but somewhat untameable and wilful, and the emotions are apt to run away with the reason. There is, however, a good deal of intuitive judgment in the native, and this degree gives a keen of justice, a warm passionate nature, strong will, little self-restraint, and much insight into human character. It is a degree of *Freedom*.

M a r r i a g e .

BY "ALAN-LEO."

Love is the soil in which character is perfected ; for as Sunshine to Flowers,
so is Love to the Human Soul.—B.

BETWEEN birth and death the most important epoch in our lives is the union of the sexes. The union in this country when legalised is called Marriage ; but in different parts of the globe the sex relationship exists under very different conditions, some races being in favor of polygamy, that is, one man has several wives, and *vice versa*. But the majority of the human race are monogamists. Legal unions are undoubtedly the result of civilization ; but throughout the world there are many unions that are not legal in any sense of the word, being simply mutual contracts. "Aphorel," on page 195, Vol. I., suggests that the student should substitute the word Union for Marriage, and in this I most heartily agree ; but since that suggestion was made, another contention has arisen, which is also important, and that is this : instead of predicting the time of marriage (or union), the moment of first meeting, or date of the engagement, should be considered ; but to the latter question I would reply — this time may, or may not, lead to a union, for undoubtedly it is the physical union that is meant by marriage, and it is this event that is considered when the union is predicted. But, as "Aphorel" says in his remarks, "it is not considered 'Marriage' in the present day

unless the union of a male and female is legally celebrated, but Astrologically this is not so, for Cohabitation constitutes Marriage." And the point that has so often puzzled the student is this—Is the law to sanction the union? Or, is it to be a mutual arrangement? The chances are decidedly in favor of the former; but, as I believe the latter is becoming more prevalent, it is as well to distinctly understand that Union is meant when the word Marriage is used. But now comes the point—Can we safely predict the time of this union, for it is *not* difficult to say from the horoscope whether the native will or will not marry? But *it is* decidedly difficult to fix the correct date of the marriage while we live in such an age of impurity. Yet, I think there must be some definite rule to show when a male or female will settle down into the conjugal state. For whether it be the force of fate or love, there must be some law which draws the sexes together at a time when they undertake the responsibilities of their sex. My own impression is *magnetism* is responsible for the majority of unions, and Astrology is the only means of discovering the true nature of this magnetism; and according to the quality of this subtile agent, so the union will be happy, fortunate or otherwise. But the most important question is — When will this magnetic force act? Does the Moon set it in motion? Or, by what method of direction can we tell the date of its action? Surely, there never could be a better opportunity for vindicating the laws of Astrology than predicting the date of someone's marriage; for were we all simply acting in accordance with Nature's laws, it would not only be an easy task, but a pleasant one, for the astrologer to predict. But in this nineteenth century of ours, I am sorry to say, we have too many marriages of convenience, and too many unions for selfish ends, that the event is often consummated under aspects and directions that were never intended to lead to this end.

It was with the idea of thoroughly investigating this question that we asked for the date of marriage on every coupon given for free horoscopes sent out, and this opportunity has given me an experience

on this subject that is invaluable, and the investigations have produced some very interesting and remarkable discoveries, which I now intend to give our readers the benefit of.

(To be continued.)

The Hindu Zodiac.

THE map of the zodiac and its divisions, according to the Hindus, which we present to our readers with this month's issue, has been most ingeniously contrived and most perseveringly and beautifully drawn by Mr. R. Pursglove. It has been reproduced for our pages by photo "process." The map almost explains itself, and, it will be seen, illustrates the various notes on Hindu Astrology that have been published in this magazine.

In the centre of the map is the earth, and, surrounding it, the twelve signs of the zodiac.

The next circulus, **F**, shows the division of each sign into two halves or horas, solar and lunar.

E shows the division of each sign into three equal parts, decanates or drekkanas, with the ruler of each.

Circulus **D** shows each sign divided into nine equal parts, Navamsas, with the nature and ruler of each.

In the next circle, **C**, are shown the twenty-seven Asterisms, each of which extends over $13^{\circ} 20'$ of space.

Circle **B** shows the division of each sign into twelve equal parts, Dwadasamsas, with the nature and ruler of each part.

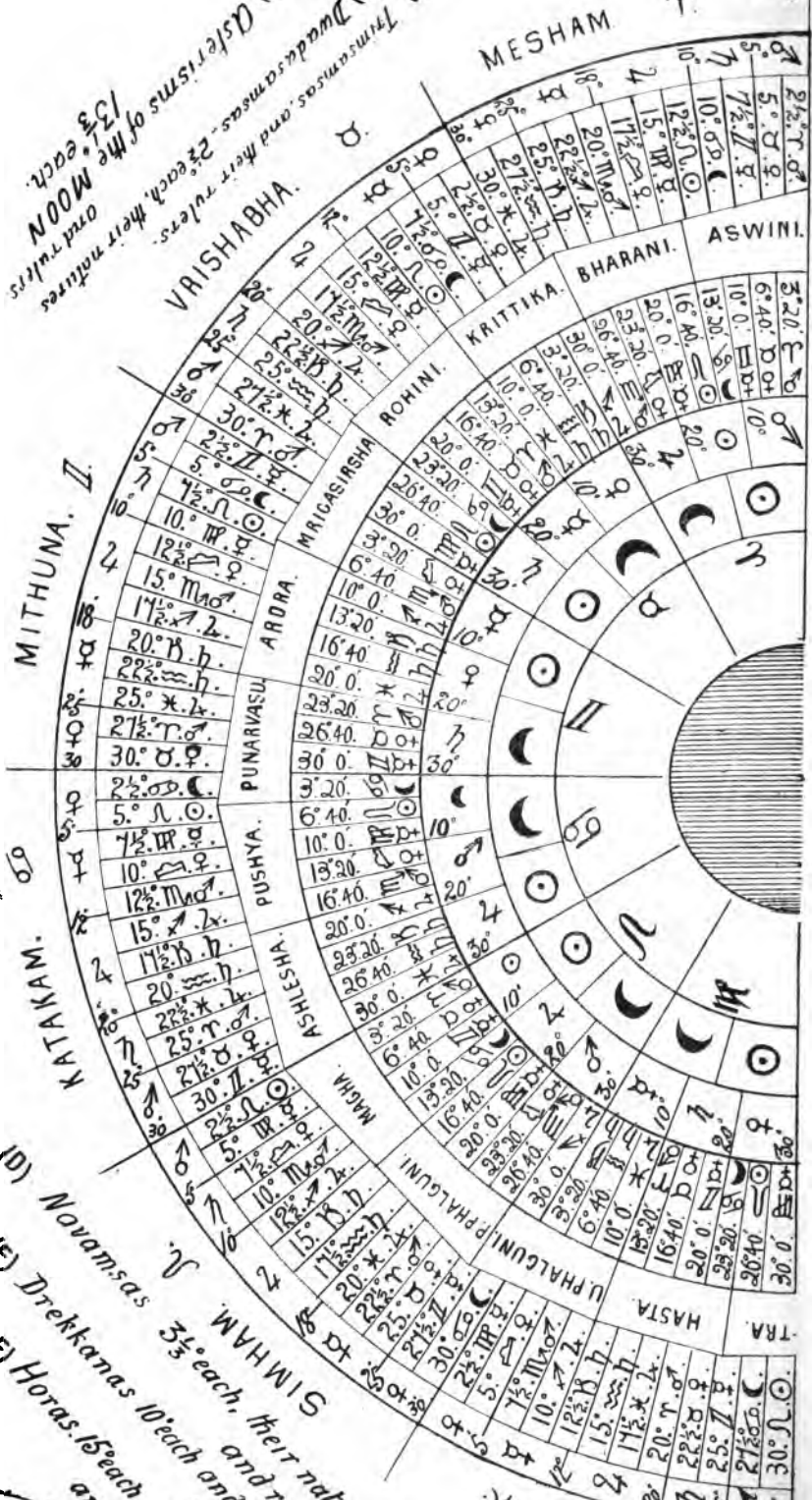
Circle **A** gives the division of the Trimsamsas into five unequal parts in each sign, with their rulers, according to the Brihat Jataka.

Finally, the circumference of the map gives the names of each sign of the zodiac.

This ingenious diagram enables the reader to see at a glance the relation these various divisions bear to each other, and will be found very convenient for reference.

EAST

(A) Trimshas, and their rulers.
(B) Dwadasamsas - 23 each, their natures
(C) Asterisms of the MOON
13 1/3 each.



NORTH

(D) Navamsas 3 1/3 each, their natures
(E) Drekkanas 10 each and their rulers.
(F) Horas 15 each, Solar and Lunar

WES

SOUTH

DHANUS.

MAKAR.

KUMBA.

MINAM.

REVATI.

U BHADRAPADA

PHADRAPADA

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BRABISHTA

SRABANA

UASHADHA

RASHADHA

MULA

JYESHTA

ANURADHA

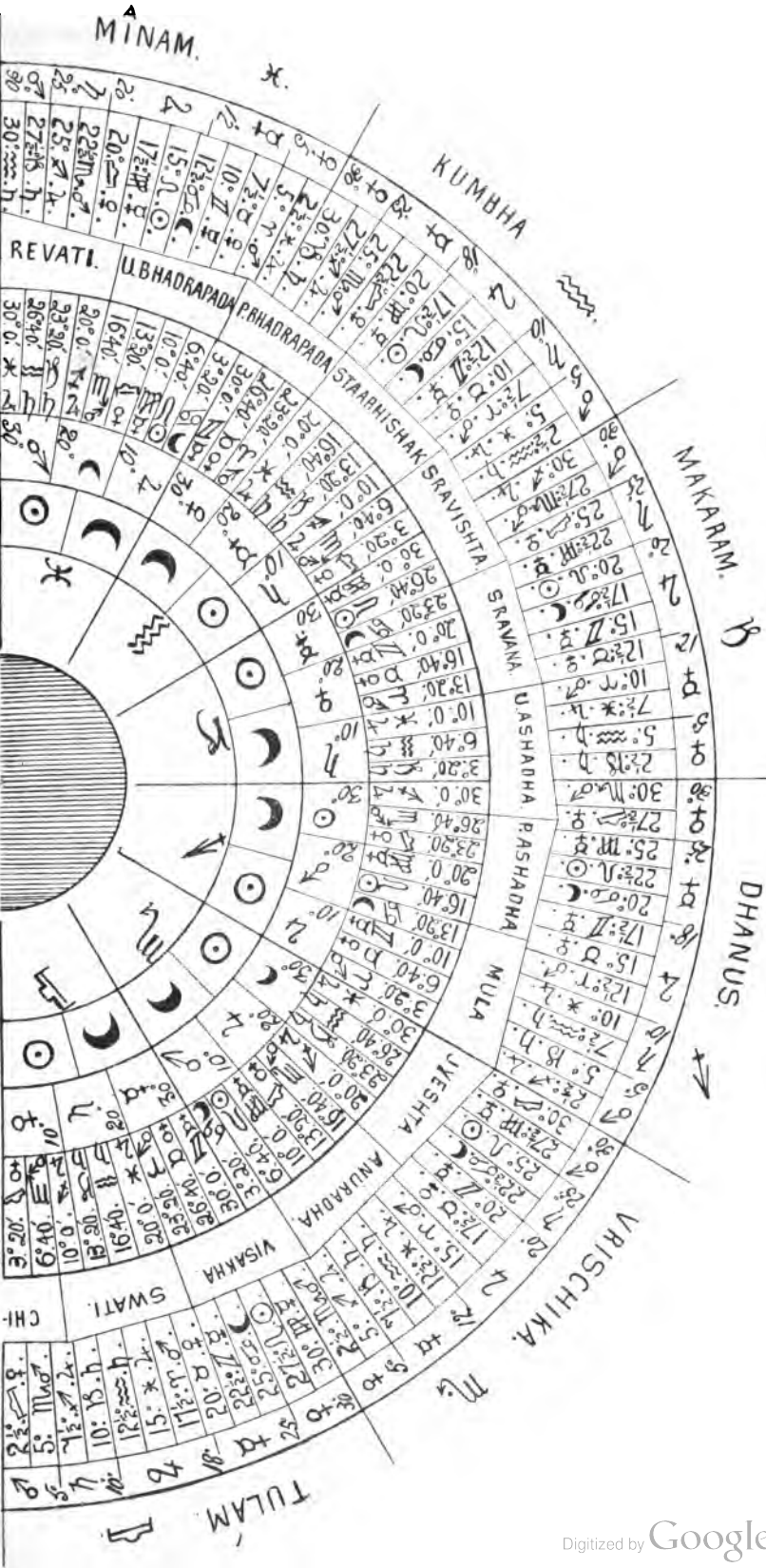
VISAKHA

SWATI

CHIT.

TULAM.

(A) (B) (C) (D) (E) (F)



The Nativity of Swedenborg.

SOME dispute having arisen as to the authenticity of the figure of birth given by Dr. Sibley in the case of Baron Emanuel Swedenborg, I have gone to the trouble of satisfying myself in the matter, and my conclusions may not be uninteresting to the readers of the *Astrologers' Magazine*.

The time given by Sibley is 5.30 a.m. at Stockholm, Latitude $59^{\circ} 22'$ North, and Longitude 18° East of Greenwich.

There are several mistakes in Sibley's figure, which will be made apparent in the course of this article.

But, first, it is useful to determine under what sign the learned author of the *Arcana Cælestia* was born. I believe Swedenborg to have been born under the sign Sagittarius, with Jupiter in Capricorn, and Saturn, part ruler of the Ascendant, in Libra, in the ninth house; and, according to certain information given to me in the year 1885, under the same degree of that sign as myself, namely, the twenty-fifth. I shall therefore take the point midway between the two signs ♐ and ♏ — 270° R.A., and make test of the matter by reference to the Epoch.

As I have two Tables of Houses for the latitude of this nativity, I must work by trigonometry.

CALCULATION.

Lat. $59^{\circ} 22'$	...	...	Tang	=	10.22754
Dec. $23^{\circ} 28'$, ♏ 0°	do.	=	9.63761
Ascensional difference	...	Sine	=	9.86515	
Sine A.D.	=	$47^{\circ} 9'$			
A. R. ♏ $0'$	=	$270^{\circ} 0'$			
Oblique Ascension of Asc.		$317^{\circ} 9'$			
		$90^{\circ} 0'$			
Right Asc. of M.C.	=	$227^{\circ} 9'$	when ♏ 0° rises in		
			Lat. $59^{\circ} 22' N$.		

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
 \text{R. Asc. of } \odot \text{ at noon 29th January, 1688} & = & 322^{\circ} 17' \\
 \text{R. Asc. of M.C. at birth (as above)} & = & 227^{\circ} 9' \\
 \hline
 & & 95^{\circ} 8'
 \end{array}$$

This Right Ascension = 6 hr. 20 min. 32 sec., which is the time before *local* noon at which the estimate birth occurred.

To this we add 1 hr. 12 min. for 18° East Longitude, and we obtain 7 hr. 33 min. Greenwich Mean Time, before noon = 4 hr. 27 min. a.m. The Moon's longitude at this time on the 29th January, 1688, was $8^{\circ} 14' 24'$; and the Moon was increasing in light.

According to the rules for finding the epoch when the Moon is increasing and below the earth, I find that the epoch falls on 21st April, 1687. The Moon's place at birth will be rising at the epoch. The Declination of $8^{\circ} 14' 24' = 16^{\circ} 10'$.

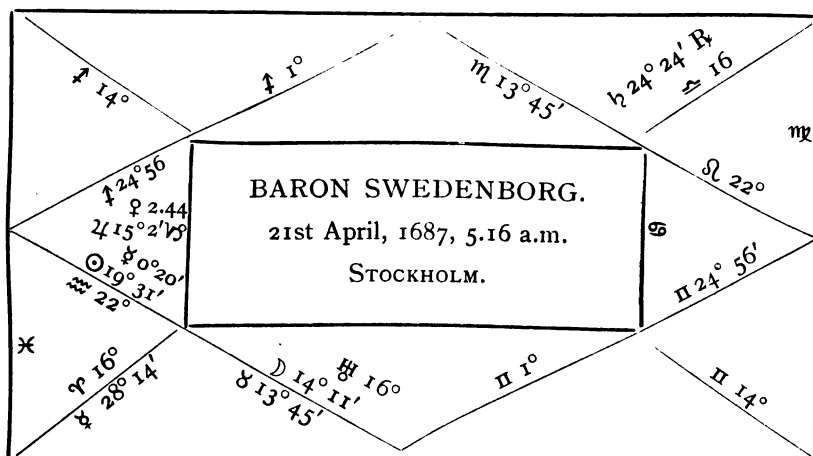
Lat. $59^{\circ} 22'$	...	...	Tang	=	10.22754
Dec. $16^{\circ} 10'$	...	...	do.	=	9.46224
Ascensional difference	Sine	=	$9.68978 = 29^{\circ} 19'$		
From A. R. $8^{\circ} 14' 24'$		=	$41^{\circ} 55'$		
Take Sine A. D.		=	$29^{\circ} 19'$		
Oblique Asc. of Ascendant		=	$12^{\circ} 36'$		
Add the Circle			$360^{\circ} 0'$		
					$372^{\circ} 36'$
					$90^{\circ} 0'$
R. A. of M. C. at Epoch		=	$282^{\circ} 36'$		
From \odot 's R. A. noon, 21st April, 1687, + the					
Circle...	...	...	...	...	$398^{\circ} 47'$
Take A. R. M.C. at Epoch	...	...	...	...	$282^{\circ} 36'$
					$116^{\circ} 11'$
H. M. S.					
This A. R.	...	...	...	=	$7\ 44\ 44$
Add for 18° E.	...	...	...	=	$1\ 12\ 0$

Greenwich Mean Time before noon at Epoch $8\ 56\ 44 = 3\text{h. } 3\text{m. } 16\text{s. a.m.}$

The Moon's longitude at this hour on the 21st April, 1687 = $\uparrow 24^{\circ}56'$, which is the Ascendant at birth.

In accordance with this calculation, which gives the time of birth as 5 hr. 16 min. a.m. (local), I erect the following figure, which I hold to be the true nativity of Baron Swedenborg.

The planets' places are taken for 4.4 a.m., which is the Greenwich Time corresponding to 5.16 a.m. at Stockholm, where Swedenborg was born.



From the above figure, it will be seen that the positions of the planets correspond with those given by Sibley, with the exception of Venus and the Moon, which are wrongly placed. The former he has set in \uparrow instead of \wp , and the Moon's longitude is wrong by some four hours (*vide* p. 484, Vol. II. of this journal).

The figure is a very striking one, and eminently fortunate for the particular work which the Swedish sage took in hand during the latter half of his life. Saturn, the lord of the Ascendant, is exalted in the Spiritual House, and Jupiter, the chief ruler, is in Saturn's sign. The conjunction of Uranus and the Moon in the fourth house is significant with regard to the cause of death.

The twenty-fifth degree of the sign \uparrow is given by Charubel as "A man in a balloon, with dark clouds beneath him. Denotes an experimentalist, an investigator of the imponderables; one whose life will abound with trials, but success will ultimately crown his labours."

I am of opinion that this description is most appropriate to the case in hand.

The sign Sagittarius generally gives a long life, and death in a foreign land. Those under the influence of this sign are usually frank and honest, generous even to their own detriment, never calculating the advantages to be derived from any action, but acting always upon the impulse of the affections, doing good for its own sake. The mind is inventive and intuitive, just, placid, and subtile in its action. The disposition is kind and temperate, and, if Saturn be strong, ascetic. The native is accessible to all; quick to anger, but very soon pacified; imitative, capable of adapting himself to his surroundings; joyous, active, sprightly, intelligent, and capable in many directions. The mind is very sensitive, and often distresses itself upon small occasion; indeed, the native of Sagittarius frequently carries apprehension too far, and anticipates imaginary evils which are never likely to assail him. Not unfrequently he is the subject of sudden and violent anxieties, without any apparent cause. The character generally is affable and complaisant, and the native only indulges in harshness and *brusquerie* when in the presence of enemies, and when face to face with danger will exhibit a great deal of nonchalance and *sang froid*. The subject of this sign is very sensitive, and this is the chief cause of irritability whenever it appears; but such disturbances do not last long, and never leave any prejudices behind. Such impassioned moments are indeed a source of severe self-torment with the native. Usually the nature is happy and blithe, and the heart continues ardent and youthful, even in advanced years. The mode of life and the habits are simple, and conducive to freedom, which the native dearly loves. The native is distrustful of himself, and careful in his actions with others, so that it is seldom he is imposed upon. He is the friend of Peace, and to avoid strife will often forego a sure advantage.

Owing to a certain timidity of nature the native will show but little pugnacity, unless Mars be strong in the figure of birth; but this natural dislike to contest may suddenly change to an alarming degree of audacity and prowess. The native is somewhat difficult to understand, and usually has an ability for several wholly diverse

occupations. The sign gives dexterity, eloquence, love of arts and sciences, much appreciation of music, and a tendency to the reclusive life and solitary habits for the sake of study. The passions are temperate, and under control generally, but are yet very forcible when in action; the views and opinions of the native are prolix, dispassionate, weighty, and frequently eclectic.

Such are the chief characteristics conferred by the sign Sagittarius when rising at birth.

In the nativity before us the modifications, due to the aspects and positions of the planets, are important, as defining the individual from the commontype of Sagittarius given above.

The chief aspects and positions in this connection are: $\text{D } \odot \text{ } \text{♄}$, $\Delta \text{ } \text{♂}$, $\square \text{ } \odot$, $\square \text{ } \text{♀}$; $\text{♄ } \square \text{ } \text{♂}$; $\text{♂ } \Delta \text{ } \text{♀}$; $\text{♄ } \text{♂ } \text{♂}$; ♄ and ♀ in mutual disposition; ♂ and ♀ in the Ascendant; ♄ in the ninth, and Mars in the third house.

To these we must add the influence exerted from the position of the planets in cardinal and fixed signs. It is worthy of note that no planet is in a *common* sign. The energy of the cardinal signs is added to the steadfastness of the fixed signs; the combination resulting in a force of character which could not but leave its impress on the world.

In another article, I may have an opportunity of further considering this subject from the standpoint of the epoch.

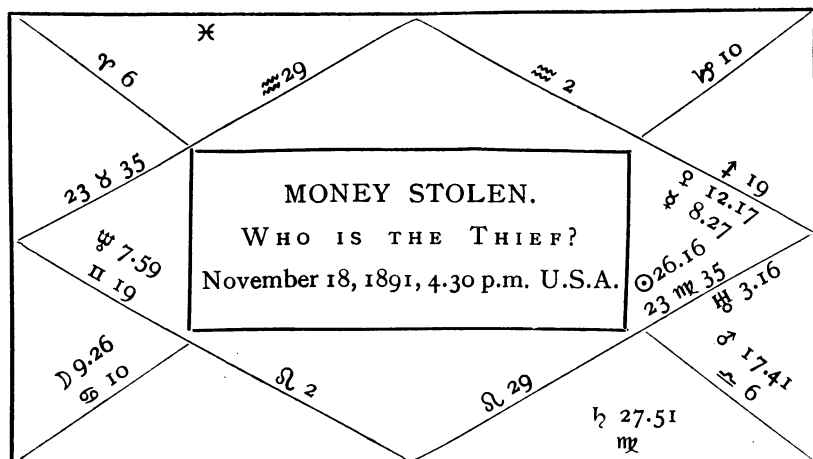
“SEPHARIAL.”

In the March *Theosophist*, “Sepharial” predicted great mortality in China owing to the eclipse of April 6th, being central in China. The immense mortality which has occurred in Hongkong fully bears out the prediction.

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One of the most simple and wonderful inventions that has ever come under our notice is the Imperial Ice Cream Freezer, recently invented by Mr. Ebenr. Roberts, of Camberwell. With the addition of one pint of milk or water to a packet of Ice Cream powder, you have a delicious cream mixture, which can be frozen in *five minutes* in the Imperial Freezer. Everything connected with the machine is so simple and so perfect that a mere tyro cannot get wrong in using it; and the price, 4/-, enables any person of ordinary means to possess one. From our own personal experience we can strongly recommend it. Particulars will be found on last page of cover.

Horary Astrology.



ON November 18th, 1891, a female called and desired to know the description of a dishonest person who had stolen a sum of money. Taurus in the Ascendant described the querent, who was short and stout, and rather good-looking, yet of a lighter complexion than what the sign denotes.

After casting the figure for the hour of the question, and finding several planets in the seventh house, which is the general house of thieves, I said there was a suspicion upon two persons, and, as their significators were in the same house as her own significator was, that they were of her own household.

Finding Mercury debilitated, and afflicted by an opposition from Neptune, and a square of Jupiter, I judged that ♄ was the significator of the thief; and, as Venus, her significator, was in conjunction with Mercury, I told her she could go home and place her hands upon the thief, as he was in the house.

I described him as being a male, and not very old, and said he was tall, rather fair, with a long face, a rather high deep forehead, and a rather large nose; that he was full of talk and conceit, and without much stamina, and of a restless, changeable nature.

I then described a person as being short and stout, rather firm in disposition, inclined to drink, and other improper habits; yet the Sun, being in a fixed sign, I judged that he had been long in her employ, and was not the thief.

Also, finding Mercury in the fore part of Sagittarius, I judged the Mercury man to be a stranger in the place, and not apt to remain long, as the planet was in opposition to Neptune.

The querent stated that I had exactly described the two persons, and said the strongest suspicion was upon the one I had described as being the thief, and asked where the money was, if in the house, or if spent?

Finding the Sun the lord of the fourth, and in Scorpio, and in an angle, I judged the money was secreted in the house.

I judged a room near water, as Scorpio was a watery sign, and said it was in a dark corner, on the east side of the room, and in some dark article which opened and closed. Also, finding the Moon in the second house, and in trine with Jupiter, I judged the money would be recovered by a diligent search.

On the following Monday, the querent said the money had been recovered, and was found in a dark matchbox, and hidden in a pair of old trousers, which were in an east corner of the room I had described, and the room was over water, as there was a kitchen pump in the lower room.

CHARLES HATFIELD.

Delineations for the Solar Month.

(Commencing July 22nd, ending August 22nd.)

[EXTRACT FROM "SOLAR BIOLOGY."]

LEO represents the heart, the love, and emotions. Through the heart pass all the fountains of life; correspondingly, these persons possess a great variety of inclinations and dispositions, being in conjunction with the grand heart of the solar nature, and a reciprocal centre of all the forces in humanity. They are also greatly affected by the mental and physical conditions of people to whom they stand intimately related. They can readily adapt themselves to

almost any condition of life. They are naturally active and aspiring ; energetic, but subject to great extremes. They are inclined to be independent thinkers, but are controlled more by their intuitions than their reason ; but their intuitions usually take the form of reason and philosophic thoughtfulness. With a fair degree of self-control, they usually manifest superior power in whatever direction they turn their minds.

Their love nature is their weakness, as they are easily led, and sometimes mislead, by those professing friendship. Their nature is remarkably attuned to the laws of creation ; and as all mechanism is in conformity to the laws of nature, they consequently have fine, orderly minds, and are usually very handy in doing anything they undertake. They seldom make high attainments except in mercantile and intellectual spheres of life. On account of their sensitive and emotional nature they are inclined to act from their feelings. Their disposition is such as to ally them to a communal or brotherhood life, where the sentiment would no longer be *mine*, but *ours*, having all things in common. They are inclined to act and speak from their unusually fine, sensitive, love nature, and therefore are constantly being misunderstood, and often doing things they ought not to do, until education comes to be a sufficient guide in the right way.

They have a great disposition while young to imitate the life and habit of those around them, and are apt to jump at, and act from, conclusions too quickly. They lack natural policy, and therefore get into many difficulties. In childhood they always live in an ideal world, and have to learn the hard parts of life often from sad experience ; and, unless carefully educated, or happily surrounded, are apt to become dishonest, distrustful, and tricky in business : for when they find that life is a struggle and conflict, they look out for themselves, feeling justified by what they see others do ; yet they have an innate nobility and superiority of character, but when inverted, from inability to act it out on account of surrounding conditions, they are liable to go to the other extreme, and this would make of them peculiar and undesirable persons. They cannot easily be kept down, however, as they have great elasticity, and, with their active, aspiring natures, they

are constantly coming to the surface in their endeavours to get above the common level of humanity. As a rule, they are law-appreciating and abiding characters.

Children born in this sign should be governed by a positive law and rule of life, and parents themselves should not transgress the rules they lay down for the government of such children ; as while they love law, and will render love and obedience to those who enforce the same ; yet they are very observant and readily detect inconsistencies in this respect on the part of the parents. This observant nature is manifest when very young, as they notice everything that transpires about them ; and because of this disposition to observe and experiment, they develop and manifest through life an inventive genius, and also display extremely brilliant attributes of nature. When the organ of conscientiousness is large, it intensifies their ideas of law and justice, and in their business relations they are apt to appeal to the law and waste much money thereby, especially if they are polarized in Sagittarius. Those born in this sign often pass through life without having their true nature understood or appreciated.

In selecting a husband or wife, great care should be exercised. If a gentleman, he will be greatly aided in intellectual attainments by the selection of a wife born in Aries (March 21st to April 19th).

On the night of June 14th, there was a great colliery explosion in Silesia, by which 200 lives were lost. The Moon at the time was in conjunction with Uranus and in opposition to Venus from the explosive signs Scorpio and Taurus. On 23rd June, an explosion by which over 300 people were killed occurred in a coal mine at Pontypridd, in Wales. At the time of the explosion, 3.45 p.m., Uranus was rising in Scorpio. The previous lunation fell in Gemini, the sign ruling Wales, and was afflicted by Mars, the lunation being in the fourth house.

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On page 78 of *Fate and Fortune*, "Sephariel" called attention to the fateful character of certain degrees. The eleventh to fifteenth, and twenty-fourth to twenty-eighth, degrees of ♈ ♉ ♊ ♋ ♌. These when afflicted cause "great fires, popular tumults, dreadful deaths, and much mortality." The June lunation fell in ♊ 14° in square to Mars, and it was followed by colliery explosions, fires, and murders.

The Students' Corner.

BY "RAPHAEL."

"HERMOGEUES" writes from New Orleans, enquiring "in what direction from the birth place, to what part of the globe, to what kind of a place must a person go to ensure the greatest success." And he wishes the case illustrated by a horoscope, which has no date and no degrees, either for the planets or the mundane houses, consequently I cannot tell how the planets are aspected or whether they are on the cusps of certain houses or where they are; I must therefore pass over his enquiry.

I have also had an enquiry respecting marriage, and can only repeat that when the Sun is in conjunction or in sextile or trine to Jupiter, and at the same time afflicted by Saturn or Mars, that the marriage of a female may be happy so far as she is concerned, but that the husband will not be strong in health; or with the affliction of Mars, she may lose him suddenly. Should Herschel afflict, his affairs may suffer. Much, however, will depend upon the positions of the afflicting planets, whether they are in Elevation above the Sun or Jupiter, or *vice versa*; if the former, the signification will be much more adverse than if the Sun is in Elevation.

I have found by experience that there is much in "Elevation," far more than many astrologers think. For instance, a Square of the Moon in the first to Saturn in the fourth, is not nearly so unfortunate as it would be if the planets were reversed, that is, Saturn in the first and the Moon in the fourth. I have seen cases where the Moon has been on the Meridian in a female's nativity and heavily afflicted by Mars or Saturn, yet the health has been good and the life long. It is only natural common sense to suppose that a planet in Elevation is more powerful than one depressed.

Our prediction in June that "anarchists may cause trouble in Russia," was thoroughly fulfilled, for during the month the newspapers reported more than one attempted plot against the Czar's life.

Notes on Recent Events.

The Sun and Mars were in a dexter square aspect during the latter part of June. Every aspect has its correspondence in the houses, as we shall presently show, and the dexter square is of the nature of the midheaven. In this case the square was martial, and therefore indicated danger to prominent folks. This coincided with the assassination of President Carnot on June 24th, and the attempt upon the life of Signor Crispi, the Italian Premier, on June 16th, at Rome. The latter attempt occurred at 2.20 p.m., when Saturn was rising in Libra.

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Under the June lunation we predicted that trouble was in store for the House of Commons. This came about in several neighbouring countries. The resignation of the Italian Ministry took place on June 5th, two days after the New Moon. Signor Crispi's attempted assassination took place while he was driving to the Chamber of Deputies. And the assassination of President Carnot necessitated the resignation of the French Cabinet. The defeat of the Austrian Cabinet took place on June 1st, under the influence of the May lunation; the Moon was in opposition to Uranus on the day of the defeat.

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The presence of Mars in the second house at the June lunation, and of Saturn in the same house at the Summer Ingress, have coincided with the very slow passage of the Budget Bill through Parliament; no other Budget Bill for a very great many years past has effected such radical changes in the incidence of taxation, or consumed so much time in passing. But it is worth noting that as Jupiter progressed towards the trine aspect of Saturn, the progress of the Bill became smoother and more rapid: there was less opposition manifested to it.

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THE "SCIENCE OF PALMISTRY."—A man named Frank Ellis was charged at Blackpool yesterday with publicly practising Palmistry on the Blackpool Sands. The evidence showed that Mrs. Baswell, of Preston, had the lines on her hand examined by the defendant, and paid sixpence for a book, in which her fortune was written. For the defence it was contended that Palmistry is a science, and the case was dismissed.—From the *St. James' Gazette*, June 26th, 1894.

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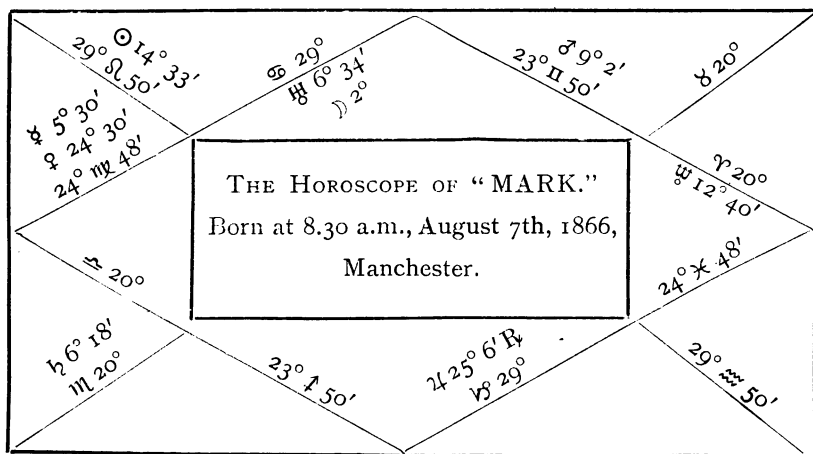
Marriage.

By "ALAN-LEO."

Continued from page 11.

"The course of *true* love ne'er did run smooth."

WITHOUT further preamble, I now proceed to examine the various horoscopes and their directions, commenting on each to the fullest extent as I advance with them. The first case I shall endeavour to expound concerns a gentleman named "Mark," whom I knew personally some few years ago. He was born in Manchester at 8.30 a.m., August 7th, 1866, and the following is the map of nativity:—



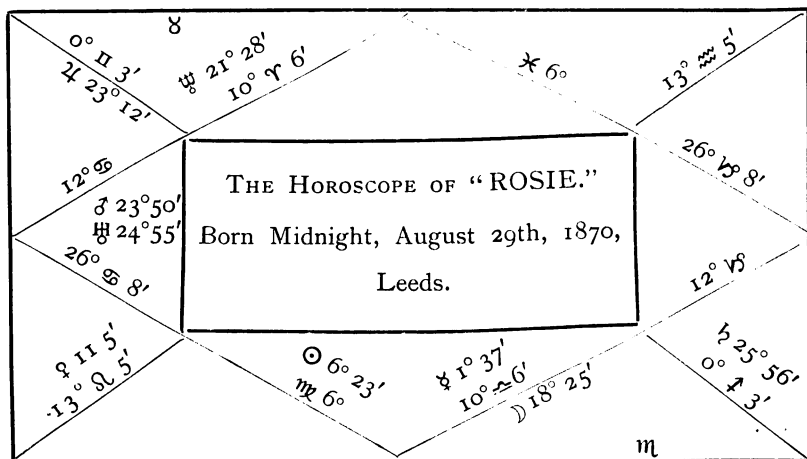
DECLINATIONS AND ASPECTS.

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 ☽ 18 N 16. ♂ ♀ △ ♃ * ♀ ♂ 21 N 15. * ☉ ☐ 24 ♀ 23 N 34. ♂ ☽ * ♀
 ♀ 5 N 54. * ♀ * ♃ 24 21 S 40. △ ♀ Par. ♂ ♀ 3 N 36. * ♂ Par. ♀

I became acquainted with him in 1888. He was then courting a Jewess, with whom he had violently fallen in love. The parents, however, would not consent to the union unless he became of their persuasion ; but, as this entailed certain severe penalties on the personality, he was loath to comply ; to all his entreaties for her to leave home, the maiden was obdurate, and it was not until the mother had forbidden his suit that "Mark" went through the painful operation of being circumcised, which happened February 7th, 1889.

Now, there are but few cases of this kind, and in all my experience I have only heard of another, the particulars of which I intend to give later. I think it must be either a very strong love or an equally strong motive to induce a man to nearly lose his life for one of the opposite sex. This was, undoubtedly, a case of strong love. I knew the damsel well—she was a perfect beauty ; but it was only skin deep, for she had a temper that I would not possess in exchange for her weight in gold. But "Mark" thought her worth fighting for, and shortly before the operation he remarked to me that he could not live without her, so he might as well risk his life to obtain her, and here I may note that the symbol for the 25th degree of m on the Ascendant, which strangely enough has Venus in conjunction, harmonises well with his determination to win her: it is—*Crossed swords, over which is seen a crown.*

The horoscope of the object of all this expended energy will now be especially interesting :—



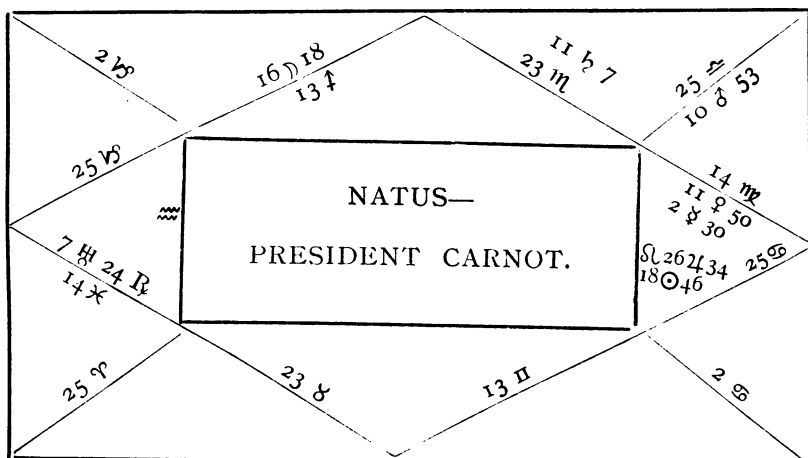
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 ♄ 1 S 20. * ♄ ♂ 4 22 N 42. 8 ♀ Δ ☐ ♄ 6 N 57. 8 ♄ Δ ♀

I have remarked she was beautiful, and, as far as personal appearance is concerned, she was the prettiest girl I had seen; her hair was jet black, and her complexion fair and perfect; she had a beautiful ruddy glow upon her cheeks, and her eyes shone upon you with a brilliancy that spoke the restless soul behind. She had fire enough in her, and plenty to spare, for her passion was unequalled when aroused; yet she loved "Mark" with all the strength of her sex and race, and if ever a couple loved they did; it was their first love, and I doubt not, during this incarnation, it will be their last. The opposition they had to contend with, even after "Mark" had gone through what few men would have done, was enough to dishearten them, yet, in spite of all difficulties, they fought bravely on, for after his sacrifice the parents continued to oppose the match, and her enemies put every obstacle in the way to endeavour to separate them for ever. But fate was too strong: after several months of terrible suffering on both sides, these two souls set their opponents at defiance. Rosie left her home unknown, and almost penniless in another part of London; this affinity commenced life afresh. My sympathies were then awakened on their behalf, and, within a month of their flight, they were married at Peckham, in September, 1889, for which time I purpose giving their directions.

(To be continued.)

ASTROLOGY AND POLITICS.—Fixed signs, Conservatives; movable signs, Radicals; common signs, Liberal Unionists. The fixed signs preserve or conserve; the cardinal (or movable) signs destroy and rebuild; the mutable (or common) signs hover irresolutely between the two, and are allied to both. It will generally be found that old-fashioned and steady-going folk have the Sun, Moon, or lord of Ascendant in fixed signs, or the majority of planets therein. Those under cardinal signs are less averse to change, often rise suddenly into notice and cut a great figure in the world. People who come chiefly under mutable signs can readily adapt themselves to other folk, and look on both sides of a question, and this makes them seem irresolute, or diffident, or hypocritical, "all things to all men," or very impartial and judicial, as the case may be.

Natus and Terminus Vitæ: President Carnot.



DECLINATION.

15	☉	12	8	♀	24	13	♂	3
26	♂	41	4	♂	10	9	♂	37
11	♀	49	13	♂	27			

PRESIDENT SADI CARNOT was born at Limoges, six p.m., 11th August, 1837, $45^{\circ} 50'$ N. and o h. 5 m. E. Capricorn is rising, and its ruler, Saturn, is in Scorpio. There are several signs of rulership, or magistracy, in this horoscope, but the principal ones are—the presence of Capricorn as the rising sign, the fact of its ruler being elevated, and the position of the Sun in Leo. Each of these three influences tends to lift the native up in life, and to give him a position of authority, more or less great, over others. This would be found to be the case even if the native were born in an obscure position, although of course it would not follow that every person born with these general positions would rise to the same height. But no matter how low the environment, such a person would obtain some amount of authority over others; he would be fitted to exercise rulership, and would be able to control, direct, and influence others.

Capricorn rising, in addition to inclining the native to prominence or authority, makes him serious, thoughtful, and reserved; he succeeds

best by patience and perseverance ; he has few intimate friends, and is diplomatic, quiet, and self-contained. In this case, these tendencies are qualified by the position of the Sun in Leo, concerning which I have the following note:—"The native is ambitious and aspiring, capable of filling positions of authority, and fond of exercising authority, but sympathetic, generous, and magnanimous ; he is rather fond of pleasure and luxury, and matters signified by the fifth house are generally prominent in his life ; he is susceptible in affairs of the heart, and is a true and tender lover. The position favors longevity and health, and is fortunate for the father and the marriage of women."

The third position, that of Saturn as lord of the Ascendant in Scorpio, is much less fortunate. It makes the person under its influence exceedingly determined and firm, but inclines to irritation, disputing, and quarrels ; brings strong opponents, and threatens the native with either public enmity and scandal, or with a sudden and violent death.

The various influences of the Ascendant and the Sun are here polarised by the Moon in Sagittarius, which makes the native kind, sincere, and just, both in rulership and in his affections. Owing to its position in this figure, it introduces the idea of secret enemies.

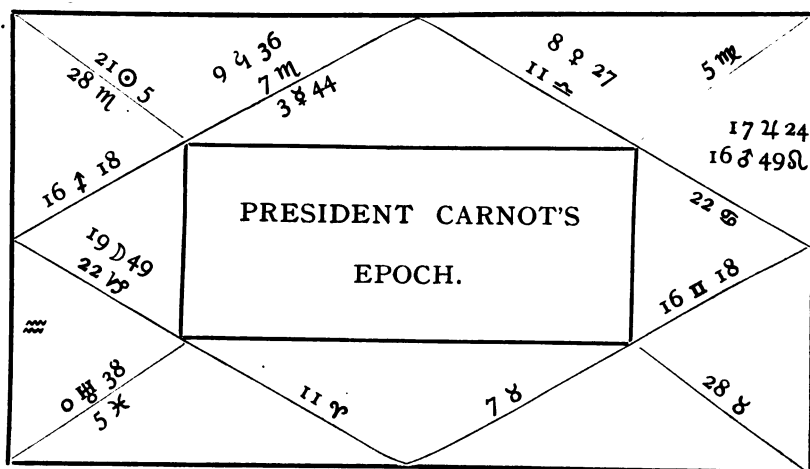
A fortunate marriage is here shown by the presence of Jupiter in the house of marriage, and the mutual trine of the luminaries.

In connection with the President's assassination, the presence of Mars in the eighth house debilitated is to be noted. Mars in Libra governs the liver and kidneys ; and he was stabbed in the liver. Mars is also ruler of the house of short journeys and documents ; and Venus, on the cusp of the eighth, afflicted by the Moon and Uranus, rules the house of long journeys. The President had travelled from Paris to Lyons, and was in his carriage in the street when the assassin presented him with a document supposed to be a petition, and under cover of it immediately stabbed him.

The directions for death are as follows, by various methods:—By the post-natal, a day for a year after birth, ☉ R ☐ ♂ P. was the principal direction acting, and measures to death. The ☉ P. is separating from ☊ ♂ R in the eighth. The progressed Moon is near the cusp of the Ascendant, but has no affliction. By the pre-natal, the

☉ is applying to the opposition of the radical ♄, though the aspect is a wide one; and this seems to have been brought into action by the June lunation, which fell in 14° ♐, in opposition to the radical Moon. The progressed Moon (pre-natal) was at 13° ♍, between the squares of 4 P. and 7 P. If we add 1° to the M.C. for each year of life, the progressed M.C. will be at 20° ♊, and the Ascendant corresponding to this is 8° ♈, close to the opposition of ♄. By adding 30° to the Ascendant for each year of life, we have the progressed Ascendant at 19° ♈, which does not give us any very close direction; it is just past the conjunction of ♄, and applying to its own square. By applying the same process to the ☉, we find it at 15° ♈, near the opposition of ♄. Apply the same to the ♄, and it will be found at 13° ♏, on the cusp of the eighth, or death house, and near ♀, signifying pleasure (by nature), travels (ninth), and the end (fourth). He had gone to Lyons to open an exhibition, and was driving to the theatre when he was killed.

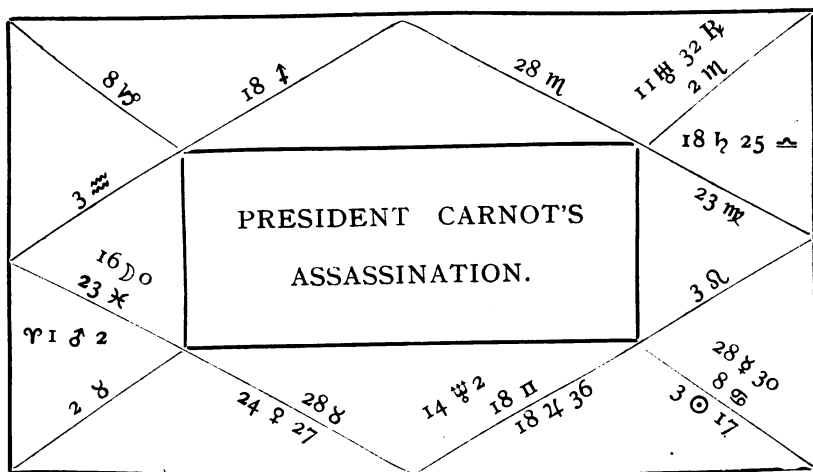
Now, let us glance at the pre-natal epoch :—



Here we find ♄, lord of the Ascendant, in conjunction with ♄ in the eighth, or death house. ♄ rules the twelfth (secret enemies), and the ☉ is in square to both, from the cusp of the twelfth. The ☉ is in close parallel with ♄.

By direction from this figure, we find ☉ P. 6 ♄ R., the ♄ ruling the eighth house. Also the ☉ R. is midway between the squares of 4 P. at 16 ♏ 5, and ♄ P. at 25 ♏ 54, both planets retrograde. The secondary ♄ P. ☉ ☉ R. measured to death.

The following figure shows the positions at the moment the President was stabbed—9.30 p.m., 24th June, 1894, at Lyons:—

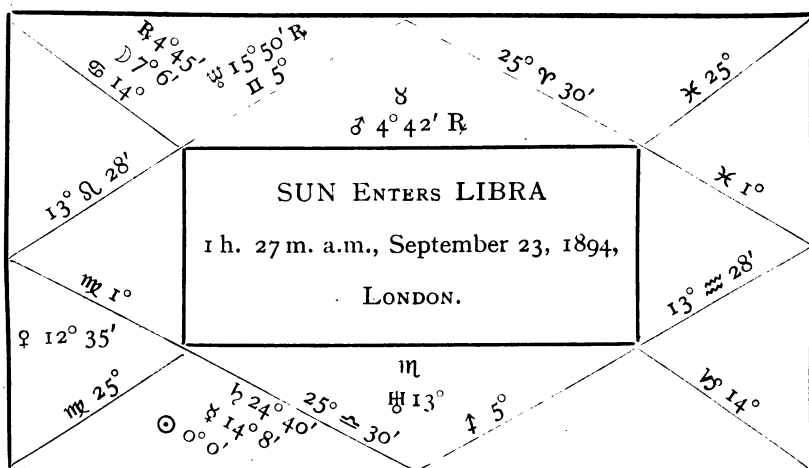


The Ascendant is here very close to the radical position, and the whole figure also bears a remarkable resemblance to that of the Duchess of York's child. The two events—the birth of the royal child and the assassination of the President—occurred within twenty-four hours; and, consequently, as the two Ascendants are similar, the only important difference is in the position of the Moon. At the child's birth, the Moon had a trine of the Sun, but at the President's death this fortunate aspect had passed off, and the square to Neptune and Jupiter was in force.

In this figure, ♄ is in the eighth in Libra, the sign governing liver and kidneys, and it was in the liver that he was stabbed. The Sun has a dexter square of Mars, signifying the death of great people, for a dexter square corresponds in its nature to the midheaven. The Sun and Mars here interchange their influences rather curiously, for the Sun is the natural significator of the ruler, and is here cadent in the twelfth sign from its own, and afflicted by Mars—a violent planet. But we can invert these significations, for Mars here rules the midheaven, and therefore signifies the President, and the Sun governs the seventh house, or enemies, and here afflicts Mars; so that the same aspect can be here read in the same way backward and forward.

The actual moment of death was at 0.45 a.m., on the 25th June, 1894; 27 ♄ was rising, the square of the natal Ascendant, and ♄ was in the twelfth house.

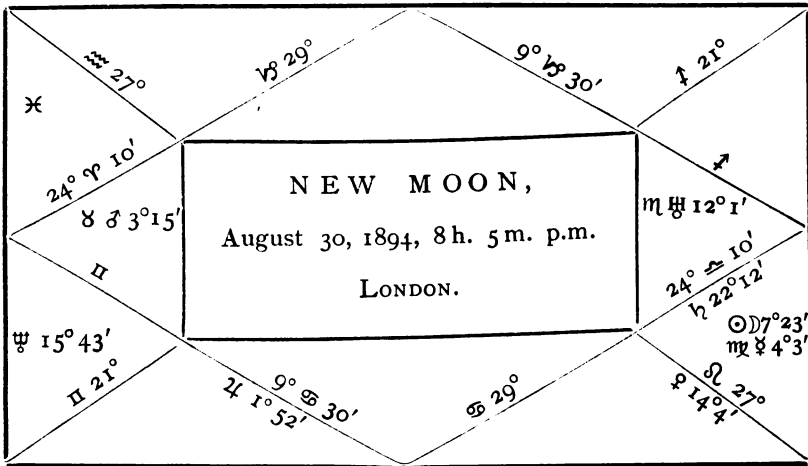
Mundane Astrology.



AT the moment of the autumnal ingress, the planets are posited as in the above scheme. The events of the ensuing quarter will be notable, for the malefics Mars, Saturn, and Uranus are angular; Mars void of dignity and retrograde; the Sun, ruler of the map, also void of dignity, separating from a semi-square of Uranus, and applying to a square of Jupiter. There will be much irritation in Parliamentary circles. The Irish Members and their affairs will be to the front; much turmoil in the Houses of Parliament. From the position of Venus, in good aspect to Jupiter and the Moon, finance should be fairly good, but Mars' position is significant of bankruptcies and many failures. There will be much activity in postal and the railway services; but as the Moon is applying to a square of Mercury, much dissatisfaction will be rife amongst the employés. There will be some alarming fires and explosions during the quarter.

At New York, turbulence and rioting may be expected, with much crime.

Finance will decidedly improve. There will be several remarkable deaths, and also some trouble for the Foreign Office.



At the time of New Moon the conjoined luminaries are in the sixth house, whilst Mars, the ruler of the Ascendant, is in Taurus in the Ascendant. These positions are unfavorable for the public health: illnesses, epidemical in their nature, affecting the stomach and bowels, will be prevalent. The positions of Uranus and Saturn are decidedly unfavorable for peace, and we may expect disturbances abroad that will keep our Foreign Office busy. Exciting speeches and warlike talk will be the order of the day. There will be all round a general unsettled feeling. The lord of the house of death, being near the cusp of the fourth (the grave), will produce much mortality—amongst clergymen especially.

The revenue will benefit by the probate duties. There will be some scandalous cases in the divorce courts, and our hospital authorities will be held up to obloquy, for reforms are much needed; some alarming exposures will be brought to light.

The presence of Mars in the seventh house at the summer ingress coincided with some trouble with the Boers over the compulsory enrollment of Englishmen in Boer regiments. Fortunately, the difficulty was satisfactorily adjusted.

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The July lunation fell in Cancer near the opposition of Mr. Gladstone's Sun, Mercury, and Ascendant. On July 7th, a letter from Mr. Gladstone was read at Midlothian stating that he would not again contest the constituency.

Personal Descriptions.

By "APHOREL."

FROM time to time we receive letters asking for the rules which may be relied upon to give a fairly correct personal description of the subject of a nativity, or a horary figure. I briefly alluded to this some year or so ago, and then stated that, according to the published rules, it was almost impossible to give a correct personal description of anyone from a perusal or investigation of the horoscope or figure, and that if such description were given, and it were correct, it was more by luck than judgment. Personally, I fail to see what can be gained by a correct description being given, the only two departments in which it will apply having reference (1) to the prospective marriage partner, or (2) to the description of a thief or thieves in an horary figure.

With regard to the first of these, it really resolves itself into a matter of taste, for I might consider that a certain lady was pretty, or good-looking, but another individual might consider the same lady either plain or ordinary looking, one preferring the fair, another the dark, whilst a third would ignore the personal description whether pretty or otherwise, as long as the lady was modest, amiable, loving, and intellectual; and the third would be right, for, after all, what is the use of an animated doll! In the second case I alluded to, that of a theft, I should be very sorry to give a personal description in a question of this nature, and I seriously advise any students who may read this never to describe a thief or a suspected person, no matter how strong the description they may desire to give is shown in the figure, for in the event of the description being wrong, and an innocent person suspected, the consequences would be not only lamentable, but serious. Yet as many students are rather strong on the point, I purpose giving the general rules extant (but give no guarantee for their reliability); and to further aid students in their desires on this point, I will give examples from the works of Lilly and others, with the descriptions they give of the various individuals, occasionally adding some remarks on the various maps. I might now mention that "Raphael" in his *Key*

to *Astrology* (1/-), recently published, has given a list of "personal descriptions" deduced from the planets in the signs, which the student might apply to those figures of persons that he may know, that come before him.

The general rule is: notice the sign on the Ascendant, and any planet therein, the sign the ruler of the Ascendant is in, and also the signs held by the luminaries. See from the descriptions given in "*Raphael's*" *Key* or *Guide* what they are supposed to produce; blend the various descriptions together, and the result obtained should be the description of the subject of the horoscope or figure which is being investigated. As will at once be seen, the complications are numerous, and how a genuine description can be arrived at I cannot understand. It was suggested by an esteemed Australian correspondent that photographs of the different types of persons born under the various signs, &c., whose times of birth were recorded at the time, should be obtained and reproduced in our pages for the benefit of the science. We should like to see this, but the expense is too great for us to undertake it. However, as the photo-horoscopes of my colleagues and myself have been given in the early numbers (37 to 42) of the previous volume, it may not be out of place, and, I trust, not considered egotistical on my part, if a more detailed description is given of each than has already appeared. I will therefore take them in the order they appeared, and describe myself, and apply the published rules to the description, and see how they agree or disagree.

At my birth (the horoscope, &c., of which will be found on page 10, Vol. IV.) the 10° 24' of Scorpio arose. Mars, lord of the sign, is about to culminate, being close to the cusp of the tenth house retrograde in 29° 8' of Leo, in conjunction with the fixed star Regulus (Cor. Leonis). The Sun is in the fifth house in 5° 54' Aries, his exaltation, whilst the Moon is in the fourth in 13° 9' Pisces, in close conjunction (within nine minutes) of Neptune. The ascending degree has the exact opposition of Uranus, the trine of Moon and Neptune. Mars has the square of Saturn, the biquintile of the Sun, and the opposition of Venus. The Sun has the quintile of Jupiter and the conjunction of Mercury, whilst the Moon has the sextile of Uranus, the conjunction of Neptune, and is applying to the sextile of Jupiter. I will now quote from Wilson's Dictionary as to the descriptions given with this Ascendant, &c., &c.:—
"Scorpio.—The native is strong, corpulent, and robust, middle-sized,

dark complexion, brown curling hair, with thick neck and legs, short body, hairy and coarse, active, but very reserved." In another part (page 140) he states—"If the ascending sign be autumnal, namely Libra, Scorpio, and Sagittary, the constitution is inclined to be cold and dry, weak, and sickly, and the body slender and lean."

The Ascendant has the opposition of Uranus in Taurus, but Uranus has no qualities assigned to him in the Dictionary, but "Raphael" in his *Key* (page 17) remarks—"Uranus in Taurus: short, thick set person, dark hair and eyes, rather fleshy, pale or swarthy complexion, short neck, deep set eyes."

As the Moon is in close trine to the Ascendant in Pisces, I quote Wilson's remark: "Moon in Pisces gives a short, mean stature, but plump or fat, pale countenance, and bright brown hair."

Mars, being lord of the Ascendant in the last degree of Leo, is thus described: "A large, tall, strong body, stout limbs, great eyes, a sun-burnt complexion, hair generally flaxen." But as Mars is so near the threshold of Virgo, I add this remark—"Mars in Virgo makes a middle-sized, well-proportioned body, with dark brown or black hair, and swarthy complexion."

To judge *strictly* by the rules in authors, the description of Scorpio on Ascendant, Uranus in Taurus in close opposition, and the Moon in Pisces, conjunction Neptune, trine Ascendant, must be chiefly observed, but the blending of the descriptions are not satisfactory. I am 5-ft. 8-in. in height, slim, black hair, on the head thin in texture, not the slightest tendency to curl or wave, beard thick in texture, very prolific, of black, light and dark brown shades. The head is long, the face oval, the complexion clear, more dark than fair, the eyes hazel in color and very bright, the neck neither short nor long, arms long and slender, not fleshy, very hairy, very little muscular strength, but a very strong wiry constitution. I might add the photo is a fairly good one, but as will be gleaned from a combination of the descriptions given, it does not satisfactorily describe me; in fact, the description of Mars in Virgo is nearer the mark, and is fairly correct as far as it goes. Another point, the few marks (moles) I have are not placed as they ought to be from the published rules in many authors, and I shall have something to say on this subject shortly.

The Houses and Exaltations of the Planets.

THE article on page 241 has produced pertinent criticism from the two able astrologers "Leo" (H.S.G.) and "Raphael," but it is a pity that "Raphael" in his remarks on the Cauda *Leonis* did not notice the symbol. Had he done so, he would at once have seen that Cauda *Draconis* was intended, and that Cauda *Leonis* was a misnomer for the symbol.

Our esteemed contributor "Jaskeb" will, at the first opportunity, reply at length to "Leo" and "Raphael," justifying his remarks, but all will be sorry to hear his health is very unsatisfactory, and at present absolute rest is imperative.

The "Houses" and "Exaltations" have long been somewhat of a mystery, and we should be glad if we could say something definite and reliable on the point. We are of opinion that Horary Astrology throws some light on the subject, judging by figures of events submitted to us, and if any of our readers can give us some reliable information with proofs, we shall be very glad to have it, and publish it for the general good.

At the New Moon on the 3rd June, the Sun, Moon, Neptune, and Jupiter were all in conjunction in the thirteenth degree of Gemini, close to the Ascendant of London. It was anticipated that the events following this lunation might have enabled the astrologer to come to some conclusion as to the function of Neptune; but we doubt whether it has been of much assistance in that way. In London, there were several fires, attributed to the square of Mars; but, on June 30th, there was the royal opening of the new Tower Bridge by the Prince of Wales. In Wales, ruled by Gemini, there was a very fatal colliery explosion on 23rd June. In the United States, also under Gemini, there was far more evil than good; for the conjunction of Neptune and Jupiter in the ruling sign was followed by the great railway strike and the march of the labour army towards Washington. Even in the weather, the result of the conjunction was not satisfactory, in England at least; for on the day of the conjunction, and for a few days afterwards, a good deal of light, misty rain fell, and the confident predictions of very warm weather were not fulfilled. On the whole, the various events seem to point out that Neptune possesses very little power for good, but more for evil.

The Degrees of the Zodiac and their Nature.

(Continued from page 268, Vol. IV.)

BY "APHOREL."

THE able astrologer William Salmon (whose horoscope appeared in our Vol. II.) has devoted a chapter to this subject in his *Horæ Mathematicæ* (or the "Soul of Astrology"), Book I., chapter 32, from which I have extracted the following; but I might take this opportunity of observing that one of his contemporaries, or, as he terms him, "adversary," had great faith in these degrees. I may add that this "Soul of Astrology" is exceedingly scarce, the only copy I have ever seen I possess. It was published in 1679.

CHAPTER XXXII.

Reflections upon the Terms of the Planets: Light, Dark, Void, Smoky, Deep, Pitted, and Azimene Degrees.

I.—In regard that of late there has been much to do about the *Terms of the Planets*,—*Light, Dark, Void, Smoky, Deep, Pitted, and Azimene Degrees*,—and that a defence hath been wrote (and by no mean artist*) in the behalf of them, after some *reflections* thereupon, some *considerations* thereof, and proper *ratiocinations* about the *original causes* and *succeedent effects* of the same (finding that doctrine not agreeable to *right reason*) for the sakes of the *Ignorant* and *Lovers of Verity*, who desire to be truly informed, we have taken the pains to write the following *refutation*, not for the desire of *contention*, the *love of any party*, or the *seeking of applause*, but only for the *real Truth's sake*, that that might not suffer, rather desiring to make ourselves *the mark and butt for the enemy to aim at* than that the least particle of so *sacred a thing* as that, which will *outlive all falsehood*, should either *perish* or be *trampled on*.

In the time of childhood all the actions are childish, yea, even the thoughts and understandings also; but at a man's estate all those childish things are done away: there was a time when, being but *young and novices*, we might have been imposed upon (and that with any fallacy), but now we dare take *nothing upon trust* from any but what we may have *firm Demonstrations, or sound Reason for*. Therefore, in the *first place*, we shall offer our *reasons* against that *doctrine*; and in the *next place*, *answer* the adversaries' *arguments* made in *behalf* thereof.

II.—In order to the clearing of our reasons, we must first lay down *one position* (whose proof is evident, and which our Adversary dares not deny—for with him which desires principles it is in vain to dispute), which is *that*

* Query Lilly or Gadbury.

there is a certain Precession of the Equinoxes. This is evident and needs none of our *Demonstration*; for in delivering that (to them which understand not Astronomy), we should but beat the air; and in doing of it to Astronomers, which know it, and whose Tables show the same, it would be but *demonstratum demonstrare*, or lost labour.

III.—*If then there be a real Precession of the Equinoxes (as by the former we have proved), those stars which were in the beginning of each sign are removed forward according to the quantity of the Precession, and all the rest of the stars (through the whole zodiac) proportionally according to their distance from that first star.*

IV.—*That from the Precession of the Equinoxes, it appears that the degrees of the signs are still the same (for if the degrees moved along with the stars or constellations, there would be no Precession), and if the degrees be the same, then the Terms are the same, and the Dark, Void, Smoky, Deep, Pitted, and Azimene Degrees the same.*

This is evident only from the motion of the Sun, for the days and nights are not of equal length when the Sun touches the first star of the ram's horns; but when he touches (that which was ever of old, and still is) the first point or degree of *Aries*, therefore the degrees are the same, and, consequently, all the other appellatives.

v.—If, then, all that which we have now spoken of be the same, it follows that these terms—dark, &c., degrees—received their (supposed) virtues either from the stars which once possessed those places, or else from the places themselves.

If from those stars which once were there posited we say that they are removed (as we have already proved by the second and third section), and then, consequently, *take away the cause, and the effect will cease.* If from the places themselves, that is *against both reason and experience*; against reason it is that the whole essence or being, *matter and form* being unity, or one and the same thing everywhere, should have different qualities (as it must have if we grant the special influence of these degrees); as, for example—In a glass of water (taken from a crystalline stream), what one drop of that water is, the same is the whole: and exactly observe the innate qualities and properties of one drop thereof, the very self same qualities and properties (without any difference) have every particular drop of the same water (being in like manner separated), the very self same thing would happen likewise if the water was foul, and this will hold in *all other things* whose *essence, matter, and form* are entirely the same; and, if this be true in *mixed, compounded, or elementary bodies*, how much more in those which are *purely simple*, as in that of the heavens? *Against Experience* it is, because the *effects* are *uncertain*, for where anyone can prove their influence once to hit, it may be easily proved a hundred times to fail. But that which is the most certain experimental proof of all is the congress of the *erratics* to some fixed stars (once in those degrees) which caused the *certain alterations in the air*, such as the Ancients have delivered unto us, which now daily experience proves the contrary, for when those said planets transit those degrees (without some other

configuration), they cause none of those alterations; but when the said planets meet with *the same fixed stars*, we find the same things which they speak of: from all of which, we conclude, no more virtue, power, or influence to reside in these degrees than what is conferred upon them by the Imposers.

To be continued.

Delineations for the Solar Month.

(*Commencing August 22nd, ending September 23rd.*)

[EXTRACT FROM "SOLAR BIOLOGY."]

PERSONS born between these dates belong to the solar plexus of the grand body. The solar plexus is that function which controls the digestive forces, and is the great chemist of the human organism. The minds of these persons are very fine and discriminating in all departments of their life. As children they are apt to be peculiar about their diet, and often seem notional to those who do not understand this nature, as they instinctively discriminate, having likes and dislikes, and ought not to be restrained or opposed as to their peculiar choice in eating, save as to the matter of quantity. Their appetites are naturally in harmony with the laws of hygiene, except as the partaking of high-seasoned food creates an abnormal desire. They are natural students of the laws of health,—anatomy, chemistry, and physiology,—being true children of nature, which they love in all its departments.

They have great endurance and aptitude in the acquisition of an education; their eyes are keen and discriminating, oftentimes taking in the contents of a whole page at a glance. As literary men and women they have marked power; they make the most rapid proof-readers of any of the twelve signs, and wherever a keen, accurate, discriminating eye is needed, they excel. Their judgment and love of color is excellent, and they are fond of the artistic and beautiful. They act from the interior, or solar plexus, through the exterior and reasoning faculties, which gives them rather a materialistic tendency, and desire to live in and enjoy the externalities of life; yet in this they combine the intuitions with the reasoning faculties. They are great lovers of music and harmonious combinations, any discord or inharmony affects them very much, even destroying their appetite; they cannot eat when there is disorder or inharmony about them. They want things tasty,

nice, and elegant. The sense of feeling is also acute; they cannot bear the least pain or hurt; even their skin is fine and sensitive to the touch, and children will often from this cause cry out even from the combing of their hair.

These persons have an extremely strong love nature, but have great power of self-control; yet a compliance with the natural impulses of their being has much power over them in all departments of their life; therefore, young ladies born in this sign are frequently misled by their love nature. Their love is so natural, pure, and devoted that it amounts almost to worship; and, as a rule, there are no women so truly devoted as those born in this sign, which is a natural conservator of vital energy in its native purity, but because of their strong will they are disposed to control. These persons are capable of making great attainments in whatever line they undertake. They are not apt to be originators; but to such extent as these traits are manifested, it will always have some direct relation to pure nature, physiology or chemistry, as they are natural chemists, and as such they excel. They have great rallying power, and it is very hard to get or keep them down in a low grade or condition of life; no matter how low they may be forced, it will be quickly observed by a discriminating mind that they still retain much of their peculiar mental and physical power; being very like a piece of pure gold trodden in the mud, their purity will always shine through so long as any of their real nature remains.

These persons ought never to take a strong dose of emetic or cathartic medicine, and should avoid all exciting scenes and conditions. The finely organised of this type impart a feeling of harmony and rest to those with whom they are associated.

As to health, they need to take great care of their digestion: worry, anxiety, or inharmony will disturb the digestive forces immediately. In such cases no medicine is needed—only quiet, harmony, and rest. Pure love to these persons is a great necessity, and potent medicine (unless the passional power is dominant). They are sometimes in danger of getting too fleshy, and thereby bringing on different forms of gout. They have a strong tendency to selfishness, and a disposition to control others is a characteristic running through this nature. Children of this sign are the product of a loving satisfaction in each other on the part of the parents, which is due to a large measure of physical and soul harmony.

Degrees of the Zodiac Symbolized.

(Continued from page 9).

LEO.

FIRST DEGREE.—There stands a lion upon an elevation looking towards a rising Sun.

It denotes a person of extreme dignity of character, with much self-reliance, fearlessness, nobility, and freedom of nature; an ambitious person and somewhat jealous of honours, being much subject to praise and flattery. The native will be apt in the government of others, and equally so in self-control; but unless the heart be kind, the native will be a mere pompous tyrant. It is a degree of *Dignity*.

2nd degree.—A pennant, or streamer, such as is used by mariners to indicate the course of the wind.

It denotes a person of an extremely vascillating and uncertain disposition; weak-minded, and subject to be driven about from one opinion to another; generally moved by consent to prevailing sentiment, and incapable of any firm and independent decision. The native will be liable to experience strange caprices of fortune; and will wander, with many a change of object, from one place to another, but little permanence for good will be assured to him. At times exceedingly hopeful, and anon depressed and nerveless, the native will make little headway or progress. It is a degree of *Weakness*.

3rd degree.—A wave-line of nebulous light, obscured by a cloud in the midst.

It denotes a person of elastic and undeveloped mind, uncertain principles, liable to lead to licence and moral turpitude. The native will lead a somewhat irregular life, and will generally be inconsequent and unreliable in his actions. Much of the obscurity into which this person will be thrust from time to time will be due to the unfledged condition of the mind, and the misdirection, through ignorance, of the moral faculty. It is a degree of *Wandering*.

4th degree.—A cat upon the watch for prey.

It denotes a person of the most prudent, circumspect, and patient mind; capable of sustaining great fatigue in the accomplishment of his

desires; a mind gifted with much diplomacy, suavity, self-restraint, and watchfulness; keen in observing, but slow to draw conclusions; capable, when roused, of much malice, but not of open anger. Firm in his attachments, a fast friend and unrelenting enemy. The native will succeed in life by dint of caution and perseverance. It is a degree of *Circumspection*.

5th degree.—A snake coiled around a tree, its head raised ready to strike.

It denotes a person of scientific powers and learning in the subtile arts; one who is capable of carrying out the most elaborate researches with patience and intelligence of the highest order. Withal there is in the mind of the native a certain degree of cupidity and cunning, which, wisely directed, will be of great service in daily life. There is also a keen sense of rivalry and competition, a love of personal advantage, which the native will use in a very subtile manner. Generally speaking, the native is acute, cunning, cautious, and very intelligent; but jealous and envious, and to be warily dealt with on that account. There is moderate success in life shown. It is a degree of *Subtlety*,

6th degree.—Two crossed swords, above a gauntlet, forming an escutcheon.

It denotes a person of a proud, martial nature, with considerable taste for athletics, deeds of daring and prowess, contests, feats of arms, and the like. Somewhat given to argument and contention, ever ready to rush into disputes regardless of danger. The native will succeed as a soldier, or in active service requiring courage and strength; but will be liable to some reverses of fortune following upon undue self-assertion. It is a degree of *Prowess*.

7th degree.—A sceptre, on the crest of which shines a diamond like a magnificent star.

The native is born to power, eminence, and fame. He will, by the use of his many talents, supplemented by a powerful will, rise to a foremost position in his sphere of life. There is in the character a large amount of courage, nobility, energy, and endurance, and the free use of such qualities will, under a benign fate, bring the native into a field of life where he will be a central figure. It is a degree of *Superiority*.

8th degree.—An aureole of clouds, in the midst of which appears a triangle of flame, and an eye within the triangle.

It denotes a person of exalted nature, gifted with spiritual faculties, by means of which he will attain to some degree of eminence in things devoted to the fiery art, and likewise will be distinguished in matters of a spiritual nature. The mind is just, aspiring, and noble; hopeful, full of the divine fire of a worthy ambition; intuitive, but not logical, yet ever intense and sincere. It is a degree of *Ardour*.

9th degree.—A fine chateau, with gardens and terraces. In the foreground, a peacock in full feather struts leisurely.

It denotes a person of tasteful, but luxurious habits; one who will spend much upon mere show, and will depend much upon appearances to the neglect of more desirable uses. Together with these characteristics there is a great deal of pride, which in the uneducated may run to ostentation and snobbishness. Yet, in any sphere of life the native will be fortunate among his compeers. It is a degree of *Display*.

10th degree.—An oak-tree broken by the wind, and beneath is the skeleton of some dead creature.

It denotes one whose chief ambitions will not come to completion; but, either through disaster or untimely death, will be prematurely brought to nought. To whomsoever this degree may appertain, the warning goes forth:—build not for the future, but for eternity, for it is very nigh; and if thou sowest aught, make no count of the harvest, for the seasons are not to thy hand; yet both sow and build for the greater good, and work in hope! In character, the native will be versatile, somewhat morose and despondent, but strong in trial; and giving shelter even to the worthless out of pure goodwill. It is a degree of *Peril*.

(To be continued.)

The Students' Corner.

BY "RAPHAEL."

THE thanks of your readers are due to "Sephariel" for the promptness with which he has published the young Prince's

nativity. Taken in conjunction with his parents' nativities, it is very interesting.

The Duke of York, his father, has a very good and royal nativity, with which no fault can be found; but he appears to be getting surrounded by (to him) *ill-fated* persons. Take for instance his illustrious wife, a person of excellent mind and womanly qualities. She has Mars on the cusp of the seventh, the house of marriage, and Saturn in square aspect and in Elevation; she and he, then, are *fated* to be unfortunate to each other, not exactly through any fault of their own seeking, but simply through the hand of *Fate*. The Duchess has just presented her husband with a son and heir, equally ill-fated to him, for we find in the little Prince's natus the Sun (signifying the father) near the cusp of the sixth, in square aspect to Mars from Cardinal Signs, and Mars slightly in Elevation above the Sun!

I have heard it stated, more than once, that had the Duke of York been left free to choose a partner, he would not have sought the hand of the Princess May. This is probably correct, for the Moon on the cusp of his seventh would have furnished him with a wife, whose *fate* it would have been to help him in his future arduous duties. The help or advice he is likely to receive from his present Consort will, more often than not, lead to trouble and misfortune, not through any wilfulness or neglect on her part, but simply because she is *fated* to be unfortunate to him.

Respecting the infant Prince's nativity, one good point is the trine of the Lights to each other. This is a strong testimony that he will reach maturity; but one must not overlook the fact that Mars in the Duke's natus is entering the fifth house, that Saturn occupies the seventh, but is in sextile to Jupiter. In the Duchess' nativity, Uranus is in the fifth, and Mars is very strong in the seventh, and afflicted by Saturn; it is therefore pretty certain that grief or bereavement will befall them in their family circle, and, as "Sepharial" says, "the seventeenth birthday of the little Prince is a very serious and an unfortunate one."

In the nativity of the Empress Frederick of Germany, Mars is just setting in Virgo, and she lost her husband in the noon-day of his life. The recorded time of her birth is November 21st, 1840, 1 h. 50 m. p.m.

S A T U R N.

Thou Great Infortune, 'neath whose spell malign
 Chanced woefully my birthnight to be cast,
 What time, Ascendant, rose thy saffron, vast,
 And ring-girt bulk, applying to the sign
 That housed the Greater Benefic benign!
 Afflictive planet! till thy fall thou hast
 The lordship of my figure; yet at last,
 Void of thy dignities, thou shalt decline.
 What sin-cursed deeds did I in lives ago,
 To fix thee radical in my horoscope?
 To leave me scarce afterings toil had won,
 Barren of purpose, well-nigh lost to hope?
 But not for ever shalt thou ban and blight,
 For now mine eyes are opened to the light!

Chicago, U.S.A.

ST. GEORGE BEST.

BOOKS RECEIVED.

"NATAL ASTROLOGY." By J. Wilde and J. Dobson.

"THE RISEN DEAD." By Thomas Slancy Wilnot.

Notes on Recent Events.

WING, THE ASTROLOGER.

On the walls of the Stationer's Hall, where the Lord Mayor of London unveiled the new stained-glass window presented to the Worshipful Company of Stationers by its esteemed Master, Mr. Joshua W. Butterworth, the well-known law publisher, there hangs a portrait which recalls a somewhat remarkable feature in the history of the Company. This is the likeness of Tycho Wing, son of Vincent Wing, the astronomer, the author of "The harmony of the visible World," who died in 1668. Tycho Wing was something more than an astronomer. He was an astrologer, and in that capacity he seems to have been employed by the Stationers' Company to edit one of their prophetic almanacks; and his name, it is said, is still perpetuated on one of the sheet almanacks published by the Company, although the star-gazer and the zodiacal interpreter has been dead more than two hundred years.

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Since Saturn has been in Libra, persistent predictions have been made of misfortune* to China and other countries governed by that sign. These have now been fulfilled in the war recently broken out between China and Japan; and, up to the time of writing, the heathen Chinese has had the worst of it. The April eclipse fell in opposition to Saturn. At Canton, the eclipsed Sun

was nearly culminating; and in the region between China and Japan, Mars was setting in the house of open enemies. At the June lunation at Canton, which preceded open hostilities, Mars was culminating, and the luminaries with Neptune and Jupiter were rising in Gemini. This seems to be another testimony of the strangely malefic nature of that lunation, in spite of the conjunction with Jupiter. At the July lunation at Canton, Mercury was culminating in Leo, Uranus was rising in Scorpio, and Mars was proceeding to the opposition of Saturn from the sixth and twelfth houses. This is more significant when we remember that the Orientals hold the sixth house to be that of enemies.

Letters to the Editor.

Letters of general interest alone are inserted. Correspondents desiring reply must please enclose a stamped addressed envelope.

All correspondents should give full name and address, not necessarily for publication, but as a token of good faith.

N.B.—Writers of signed articles are alone responsible for the opinions therein contained.

DEAR SIR,—A case of interest.—Triplets born at 1 o'clock, 2 o'clock, and 3 o'clock a.m., September 2nd, 1889—one hour apart; first two boys, third a girl. Longitude West from Greenwich, $85^{\circ} 40'$; Latitude North, $42^{\circ} 10'$.

The boys were so very much alike that even the mother could not tell them apart till one got a fall and cut his nose, showing a scar. This one always seemed "unlucky," constantly hurting himself, and was scalded to death by falling into a kettle of boiling water shortly after his third birthday. It is not known whether the unlucky one was the older or not. It occurred to me that this might interest Astrologers as to infant mortality. I ought to add that the surviving boy and girl enjoy good health.

G. F. KORTE.

DEAR SIR,—I was glad to see the article on Swedenborg in the new *Astrologers' Magazine*. But that worthy was *not* "Baron." His only title was that of "Honorable," as a possessor of the ~~pat~~ent of nobility, and as a member of the Swedish Diet.

If this horoscope is correct, the statement that the native who has "common" signs upon the angles never becomes notable, must be modified. Cardinal and fixed signs (respectively) upon fourth and tenth, with "common" signs on the first and seventh, and no planets in "common" signs, altogether makes a great difference.

♂ ☿, ☐ ☽, ☐ ♀. He was disappointed in love, and never married.

From the last degrees of ♄ on the Ascendant, and from the planets in the first house, one would have expected a big man, or at least a *tall* one, but Swedenborg was small and slight.

It is a pity "Sepharia" dwells so much upon ♄, and not at all upon the aspects in the case of a person who has excited so much criticism.

Mr. Purseglove has accomplished an exceedingly clever feat. If the information implied in that wonderful tabulation be only reliable, the value of the diagram will be beyond computation.

How infinitely superior is "Sepharial's" delineation of the young Prince's nativity to those of Wylde and Bland in the *Review*! On reading both I could not help feeling the presence of the detestable sphere of sycophancy. "Sepharial" is free from all that, and at the same time conveys the idea of a master-hand dealing with the subject.

Excuse my troubling you with these observations.

Sincerely Yours,

G.H.L.

DEAR SIR,—Thanks for *Astrologers' Magazine* of July. The quotation from Ptolemy does not refer to the Process system—the old secondary directions,—but to the ruler of the year, or something of the kind. Ptolemy is very obscure, at least to us of the present day, for he uses terms to which we have no clue. But there are glimpses of deep truth in his writings.

I am sorry to see such jumbling up of Horary Astrology with nativities as propounded by "Alan Leo." How a lord can have any *effect*, I can't conceive. Why, they have not yet settled what planets they are to dispossess of houses to give Herschel and Neptune one each!

The old system of directing is faulty. There is a *missing link* in the science, and astrologers have invented fanciful aspects, directions, etc., to supply it. I *believe* the missing link was the exploded planet between δ and 24 . Why don't they try to find out what *Vesta* does?

Here is a planet as big as our Moon, and visible to the naked eye. They ignore this, and poke after ψ .

The above is from an old scientific astrologer, good astronomer, and deep student of occult science; one who can prove all he advances, not like your new-fangled hazy theorists. Erect a figure, and find out who sends this—for your edification!

[For once we break our rule, and insert an anonymous type-written letter received by us, bearing no address, but has the Kentish Town postmark. Our readers must naturally be gratified to know that such an "old scientific astrologer, good astronomer, etc.," honors our sublimary planet by deigning to dwell upon it. If his statement is to be believed, he is evidently a very great man (in his own estimation); and we can only ponder upon his boasted transcendental abilities with feelings of (shall we say) admiration, amounting to awe, and yet we still live. But it is a pity such a genius should hide his light under a bushel. Our readers may naturally ask, how it is such a notable prophet has not come to the front? Perhaps he will come to the office and run the magazine, for in his opinion (valuable, probably), we are not competent to. He is ashamed of his dwelling place, if he has one; and also of his name, which are both conspicuous by their absence, and we must confess we are not sufficiently gifted to answer his final conundrum. His occult (?) knowledge should have told him his "missing link" was referred to in the early numbers of Vol. I., nearly four years ago. "To what base uses," &c., &c.—ED.]

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Marriage.

By "ALAN-LEO."

(Continued from page 27.)

"Hail, Love! first Love, thou word that sums all bliss!
The sparkling cream of all Time's blessedness,
The silken down of happiness complete!"

IT was at the close of 1887 that "Mark" became acquainted with Rosie. The lunar aspects were—Moon passing through the seventh, square Uranus, and *parallel Venus*, and his Venus had progressed to the radical place of her Moon. The Moon squaring Uranus appears to have *caused* all the difficulty and trouble that followed. It was a case of love at first sight; from the moment he saw her, "Mark" could not rest. Mars, the energizing planet, and his significator Mercury were in exact sextile, giving him the necessary pluck and determination to woo and win her. Now, a comparison of the horoscopes will show much sympathy: his significator Mercury is on her Sun, and her significator is sextile his Sun, his Moon is *parallel her Venus*, thus harmony between them, the only drawback being their difference in religion.

The opposition of the parents is shown by Mars in "Mark's" ninth, the wife's house of relatives, afflicting Jupiter, the planet of religion, and ruler of his seventh, which he overcame February 7th, 1888, when the Moon had progressed to the sextile of the *Martial* planet, ruler of his wife's house of religion—his third.

Now, let us examine the directions for THE MARRIAGE, which occurred in September, 1889. I purpose dealing with three methods of directing, the Progressive, the Process, and the Cyclic, so that

each system may have an opportunity of proving its value. The following are the planetary positions:—

“MARK’S” DIRECTIONS, AUGUST 7TH, 1889.

☉ 6° 12' 38"	9° N. 5'	—	* ♄ R, * ♄ R, Par. ♀ P.
☿ 22° 0' 34"	12° N. 7'	—	Par. ♄ P. 1° from * ♂ P.
♀ 20° 0' 34"	9° N. 0'	—	Par. ☉ P.
♂ 23° 0' 36"	26° N. 6'	—	♂ M.C. Radical
♃ 23° 0' 1'	22° S. 4'	—	150° ♂ P.
♄ 7° 0' 45"	12° S. 0'	—	△ ♄ P.
♅ 7° 0' 35"	23° N. 31'	—	△ ♄ P.

“PROCESS” SYSTEM.

M.C. Prog. 16° 0' 50" 22° N. 25' Par. ♃ P.

Asc. Prog. 12° 0' 30" 8 ♄

Asc. Process 12° 0' 30" △ ♄, separating ♂ Rosie's Venus.

Add 2½° for Sept. 2° 30'

15° 0' 0" ♂ ☉ R

Moon, August 0° 8' 37" 9° N. 2'

Moon, September 1° 8' 48" 9° N. 10' Par. ☉ P. & ♀ P. * ♃ R

ROSIE'S DIRECTIONS, AUGUST 29TH, 1889.

☉ 24° 0' 50"	2° N. 2'	Par. ♃ R, ♂ “Mark’s” ♀ R
☿ 18° 0' 58"	10° S. 45'	Par. ♀ P, ♂ ♃ R
♀ 4° 0' 22"	11° N. 0'	
♂ 5° 0' 43"	19° N. 52'	
♃ 25° 0' 16"	22° N. 48'	8 ♄ R
♄ 22° 0' 19"	22° S. 12'	8 ♃ R
♅ 25° 0' 46"	21° N. 28'	

“PROCESS” SYSTEM.

M.C. Prog. 25° 0' 2" 2° S. 2' Par. ☉ P. & ♃ R, ☐ ♃, ♂ “Mark’s” seventh house

Asc. Prog. 25° 0' 21" N. 9' ♂ ♄ R

Asc. Process 25° 0' △ ♃ P.

“ “ 26° 0' Sept. * ♄

Moon, July 29th, 22° 0' 39" 8 ♄

Moon, Aug. 29th, 23° 0' 40" ♂ ♃ R

Moon, Sept. 29th, 24° 0' 41" ☐ ☉ P, ♂ ♃ P.

} Dec. 21 N.
} Par. ♄, and
} Mark’s ♂ R

Transits in September:

☉ in ♄; ♀, ♂ and ♄ in ♄; ♃ in ♄; ♄ and ♄ in ♄.

CYCLIC DIRECTIONS.

"MARK."	ROSIE.
☉ 0° 11 33' Sept. Δ 11 R	☉ 6° 11 23'
☿ 23° 1 30' Sept. ☌ 11 C Δ ☌ C	☿ 1° 11 37'
♀ 9° 11 30' * ☌ R, Sept. ☌ ☉	♀ 26° 1 5' ☌ 11 R
♂ 25° 11 2' Δ 11 C, Δ ☌ C	♂ 23° 11 50'
11 25° 1 6' Δ ☌ C	11 23° 11 12' Cusp prog. 7th.
11 12° 11 0' Sept. ☌ ☉ I, ♀ C	11 13° 11 56'
11 2° 11	11 18° 11 25'
Moon, Sept. 9° 11 30, * ☌ R, Δ ♀ C	Moon, Sept. ☌ ☌

Aphrodite, the "Goddess of Love," is only one of the names of the beautiful planet Venus, for she has many names and phrases, representing sometimes *pure* love, at others sexual passion; in reality, personifying man's sensations and emotions, for love may be of the highest or the lowest, and with astrologers this planet has ever stood as a symbol of the feelings. Now, "Mark" has Venus in exact parallel with the Sun at the time of marriage; the Sun is also sextile Uranus and Saturn; and Mars, the companion of Venus, has progressed to the conjunction of the radical midheaven—all strong testimonies in favor of the progressive system, especially as the Progressive Moon is exact parallel Sun and Venus at the time of the event, forcing into action the solar aspects.

The process system has M.C. prog. parallel Jupiter. Not quite exact; but the radical M.C. may be a few minutes out, as I have not rectified the time given, viz., 8.30 a.m.; the processed Ascendant for September is conjunction Sun. The cyclic method is worthy of the students' careful study, for here we have Jupiter in *exact* trine aspect to Mars, and Moon sextile *Mars* and trine *Venus*, the Moon by cyclic motion falling in the seventh—the house of marriage.

Rosie's directions are also very striking. Sun progressed to the conjunction of "*Mark's*" Venus, and exact conjunction "*Mark's*" Ascendant, could there be a stronger testimony of sympathy and love? And to crown all, the Moon had progressed to the conjunction of Jupiter at the time of marriage. Here we have every indication of a pure and absorbing love; but, unfortunately, the handsomest flower is not the sweetest. Rosie does not control her temper; Mars and Herschel in conjunction, in the Ascendant, give such an excess of irritability that even "Mark" cannot pacify her. The Moon square

Uranus and Mars will give her no rest, and with neighbours she is for ever in dispute, and it is only by "Mark's" tact and patience that she escapes serious consequences. They are always on the move, for the neighbourhood soon gets too hot to hold her; thus "Mark" is compelled to migrate with his loving, but turbulent wife. Now, what was the nature of the magnetism that drew those two together, and what produced it? "Mark's" significator is the planet Mercury, who partakes of the nature of Saturn, being in closest aspect with this planet. Saturn is the ruler of Rosie's seventh house. Now, Mercury has progressed in Rosie's horoscope to the conjunction of the Moon, her significator, so, metaphorically speaking, "Mark" joins Rosie; but in "Mark's" case, this does not quite answer, though nearly so. Rosie's significator, the Moon, is in Taurus, within the orbs—allowed by us—of trine Mercury. In "Mark's" nativity, the Moon and Mercury are in sympathetic relationship; in Rosie's, the Moon and Venus. "Mark's" Ascendant has the conjunction of Venus.

In "Mark's" case, the first planet the Moon applies to is Mercury; but at marriage the only aspect Mercury has is the Sun separated one degree from the conjunction; but his Sun has progressed to her radical Sun, and as the harmony between the luminaries produces the strongest ties of friendship, I think it is in this that we shall find the solution. "Mark's" Sun is near Rosie's Venus, and sextile her Moon. But let us further examine the directions before finishing this case. "Mark's" process Ascendant is separating from Rosie's radical Venus, and applying to his radical Sun. Rosie's progressed Ascendant is trine Jupiter, ruler of "Mark's" seventh, and sextile Saturn, her own *seventh* ruler.

A subscriber has written me a volume of correspondence on the fourth house, being the magnetic pole, and, in Rosie's case, he would say that the Sun, coming to the cusp of her fourth, produced the union. But as I have not yet waded through his lengthy epistle, I will leave that matter until later on, and will now close this interesting example, advising the student to further investigate. I may add the couple have three children, but I have lately lost sight of them.

(To be continued.)

At the lunation of the 1st of August, Mars was situated in the sixth house, and afflicted by the opposition of Saturn, showing some danger of an epidemic of martial disease. This was fulfilled in the outbreak of smallpox, a martial disease, in the north of London.

Alan's Page.

INTRODUCTION.

THIS month I commence with a page exclusively my own. There will be no need to stick up "TRESPASSERS BEWARE," for I think I shall be able to keep it fully occupied. There are so many things one can do when they have it all their own way. I do not mind responsibility when I know no one else will get blamed for my mistakes; goodness knows they are many. Some folks think astrologers are infallible. I don't, at least I speak for myself, and, this being my page, I suppose I can say it. I am quite aware, as one of my colleagues says, that this is not a comic paper, but may be astrologers are not too serious to smile sometimes, and so you will find me able to make you smile occasionally, if not laugh outright, for though Saturn does sit heavily on my Ascendant, Herschel ever senses the ridiculous and incongruous. I want those who are in sympathy with this page to send me all the most interesting notes they may happen to have by them. Please address them to me, or I shall be having a rival page-holder.

AN INTERVIEW.

"Coming events cast their shadows before them!" We had a visitor at the office this week, a rare thing for us, our rule being to see *no one* except in special cases, like this one, for instance. It was Mr. "Answers," who had arranged for an interview with the Astrologer. He came, and—— but there, I must not tell this month. If you are anxious, watch *Answers* for the result of the interview. It may amuse you, for his ideas of Astrology were funny, to say the least of them. The age of wisdom is at hand; Astrology is being brought to the front, even though it be in serio comic-papers.

RAPHAEL'S ALMANAC.

Raphael's Almanac is now ready for 1895. The guaranteed circulation for this year (1894) was over 160,000, and it is quite possible that 200,000 may be reached next year. This does not look as if faith in the stars was diminishing. One of these days the world will wake up to the fact that Astrology has not been dead, but simply sleeping. It is the duty of every astrologer to make this journal known, and all other cheap works on the science. Raphael's Almanac is a splendid opportunity to introduce the subject. Think of one hundred and sixty thousand supporting Raphael's alone. Between you and I, the proprietors of this magazine would not object to the *A. M.* reaching half that circulation!

Aspects : Dexter and Sinister,

AND THE PART OF FORTUNE.

BY "LEO."

DEXTER aspects are those which are counted in the opposite order to that of the signs. If the ☉ is at ♈ and ♃ at ♎, it will be a dexter square, counting from the ☉ to ♃.

Sinister aspects are counted in the same order as the signs. If the ☉ be at ♈ and ♃ at ♊, it will be a sinister square.

The reason for these terms, dexter and sinister, is easily seen. If we look upon the zodiac as a circle, and, starting from the Ascendant, count towards the right hand (dexter) above the horizon, we shall be counting against the signs; whereas, if we start from the Descendant and count towards the left hand (sinister), we shall be going with the signs.

The circle contains 360 degrees, and is divided—normally—into twelve equal segments, or houses, which pair off together, six to the right and six to the left.

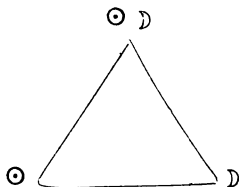
Since these twelve divisions undoubtedly exist, it follows of necessity that there must be twelve main corresponding aspects to pair off with the twelve houses.

This is so. There are five sinister aspects : 30°, 60°, 90°, 120°, and 150°, corresponding to the cusps of the second, third, fourth, fifth, and sixth houses; five similar dexter aspects, corresponding to the opposite houses to those just mentioned; and two supplementary aspects, the Conjunction and Opposition, corresponding to the first and seventh houses.

Of these twelve aspects, the Conjunction and Opposition are unique, and stand quite apart from the rest. It is usual to say that the Conjunction is not an aspect, and of course this is correct if we adhere to the strict meaning of the word; but, in reality, Conjunction and Opposition pair off together as do day and night, life and death, and other dualities. They are quite unlike the other aspects; for, whereas there are two semi-sextiles, a dexter and a sinister, and two of each of the other aspects, there is only one Conjunction and only one

Opposition. In fact, the Conjunction stands to the Opposition as does a dexter aspect to its corresponding sinister; the two form one pair.

To turn aside a moment from the main argument I might point out that Conjunction and Opposition form not only a pair, but also a triad. Conjunction is unity; Opposition is duality; and the two together make up the trinity—



The apex of every equilateral triangle represents the monad, and its base the duad; the apex synthesises the two points at the base; the apex is a unity potentially dual, and at the base the duality becomes manifested, the whole making the trinity. This theory of the triangle is capable of very extensive application, both in Astrology and elsewhere; it corresponds of course to the famous "three qualities," Sattva (unity), Rajas and Tamas (duality).

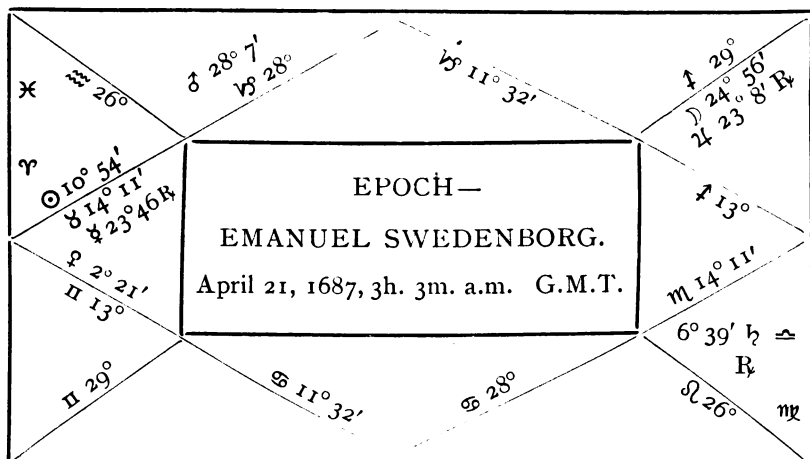
To return to the subject of the aspects. There are three chief points, from each of which a series of twelve aspects may be reckoned, the cusp of the Ascendant, the Sun, and the Moon. The twelve points from the Ascendant represent the cusps of the twelve houses, and are the only mundane divisions usually recognised; although from the Sun and the Moon we may obtain two other series of twelve each. The second sign from that containing the Sun bears upon money, just as the second mundane house does, and so on through the twelve signs from the Sun, and again for the twelve signs from the Moon. For instance, it is unfortunate for malefics to hold the fourth, sixth, eighth, or twelfth signs from either the Sun or Moon in a child's horoscope, and several such cases may be seen in the "Infantile Mortality" series of Vol. IV. Take the case of "John J. H.," p. 9, Vol. IV.: Saturn is in the Sun's Ascendant, Mars and Uranus in the Sun's fourth sign, and the Moon in the Sun's sixth sign. In "Elizabeth B.'s" case, p. 33, Saturn is in the Moon's sixth sign. On p. 55, the Moon is weak by being in the Sun's twelfth, while Uranus is in the Moon's fourth sign. "C. L.," p. 75, Saturn is in the Sun's sixth, and Uranus in the Sun's eighth sign, Saturn is in the Moon's twelfth, and Mars in

the Moon's eighth sign. Such significations must not fail to be taken into account when judging the question whether a child will live or die.

(To be continued.)

Nativity of Baron E. Swedenborg.

(Continued from Page 18.)



IN resuming my enquiry into this remarkable nativity, I am led to a closer examination of the question so often raised by both admirers and enemies of this great writer—"Was Swedenborg ever insane?"

In answer to this enquiry, I point to the position of Mercury in the sign of Saturn, afflicted by the square aspect of Mars, and only just separated from a square of Saturn, the Moon being in no aspect to Mercury and itself afflicted by the conjunction with Uranus. These positions, together with Mars and Saturn in opposition from the third and ninth houses, wherein planets have much influence over the mind, would perhaps lead many to an adverse conclusion in regard to the subject's mental condition. But we must not forget the corollary of the astrological aphorism, and we certainly *do* find the Moon in aspect to the Ascendant both in the zodiac and also in Mundo (if the latter may be allowed in this instance), while Jupiter throws a trine aspect to the Moon. Hence, I conclude that Swedenborg was not insane during the period of his illumination. Physicians will quote to the contrary, the

incident of his having rolled himself in the mud in the open streets, and many other eccentricities which, to them, are indications of acute mania, but to the student of Psychology they are but the physical concomitants of certain psychological changes, terminating in ecstasy, a state wherein the mind is temporarily dissociated from the body, and the latter thrown by a recoil into a paroxysm. It is a state which transcends the trance, wherein the body is merely in a state of torpor, and its action upon the body is violent in proportion as it passes beyond the neutral state of twilight consciousness represented by the trance.

Among the Yogis of India many examples of this ecstasy are to be found. During late years there died one by the name of Rama Krishna Paramahansa, who, as his title indicates, was a religious teacher, or *guru*. He has many thousands of living disciples, and among them are men of the highest education, graduates of the Calcutta University, Government Pleaders, Magistrates and Collectors. Yet this same venerable Yogi passed through stages exactly similar to those recorded in the life of Swedenborg. Hours together the Yogi, a strong, well-built man, would sit and weep beside the Ganges; for hours and days together he would remain silent, his eyes fixed in meditation; and thus he would remain, naked and unfed, yet feeling neither hunger nor cold. At times he would roll in the dust as if carried away by passion or pain, uttering cries and lamentations. A great deal of this man's teachings have been reduced to writing, and I venture to think that no physician of average mental capacity would regard them otherwise than as the product of a healthy and orderly mind. He might even be inclined to regard them as coming from a mind of an exceptionally high order, but this would depend upon his appreciation of the subject treated of.

So we see that Swedenborg is no exception to the order of psychological subjects, to which he properly belongs; and, however exceptional may be the methods by which the mind of man manifests its operations, we must content ourselves with the results alone, until we understand something more of the relations of mind and matter. In the case before us, the presence of Mars in the third and Saturn in the ninth house, a positive and a negative planet working in opposition, is quite sufficient to account for the violence which frequently accompanied Swedenborg's psychic experiences. Indeed, the period of his continued illumination began with phenomena of this kind, as recorded by Swedenborg himself in his diary of 1744.*

*See William White's "Swedenborg: His Life and Writings."

April, 1744, which is probably the period of the Seer's first phenomenal experiences, which are recorded to have taken place at Delft, was attended with the following directions:—

Solar Primary : ☉ P. ☐ ♄ ♀

Lunar Secondary : ♄ ab. ♂ ♂ P. ♀, 5th.

♄ ad. ☐ ♀ P. ♄, 2nd.

♄ ad. ☐ ♀ P. ♄, 9th.

The following are the planets' progressive places, calculated to the 6th April, 1744 :—

☉	♄	♂	♀	♂	♀	♄
15° ♀ 33'	5° ♀ 34'	21° ♄ 33'	24° ♄ 24'	4° ♀ 48'	6° ♄ 50'	3° ♄ 39'

It will be seen that Mars, Venus, and the Moon are all in common signs, which have always been found to be extremely significant of nervous and brain affections; while Saturn is in the ninth house, where it has a strong influence on the mind, as already noted. But Baron Swedenborg dates his illumination from April, 1745, a year later; and Mr. White is of opinion that the experiences of April, 1744, were but the premonitory symptoms of the great change which was to follow. At all events, it is known that at this time he had a violent fever, which coincides with the position of Mars and the Moon. Yet, if we take the event of 1745 as being the result of this period of "vastation" as Swedenborg calls it, we must confess that the "disease," if such it were, had a singularly beneficent climax. The Moon, by progressive motion, had then reached ♀ 20°, and was in trine aspect to the Sun ♀ and ♄ to Saturn P. Four months afterwards; when the Moon came to the opposition of the Ascendant and ♄ Saturn ♀ in ♄ 24° 24' ♀ he returned to Sweden.

(*To be continued.*).

On 12th August, there was a railway smash at St. Pancras, London, through the driver not being able to stop the train as it came into the station. There were no persons killed. Two days later, on the 14th, a packet of gunpowder was dropped into a letter box at New Cross, London, and exploded. These two incidents both come under the rule of the third house, which governs railways and the Post Office. On both occasions the Moon was passing through the third house of the previous lunation, 1st August.

Personal Descriptions.

(Continued from page 36).

BY "APHOREL."

FROM what I stated on page 34, and illustrated by a brief comparison of my personality with the published rules, the reader will see the difficulty of giving anything like an accurate *personal* description. I will go closer into the matter when summarising the various examples from the contributors to this magazine, and from those by Lilly, etc., that I purpose giving.

I will now take "Alan Leo's" case, whose photo-horoscope will be found on page 34, Vol. IV. The sign ascending is Leo, which has Jupiter, the Sun (its ruler), Mercury, and Saturn therein; the other luminary (the Moon) is in Aries. Note both these signs, the former so heavily tenanted, are signs of the fiery triplicity.

The following is from *Wilson's Dictionary*—

The Native (of Leo) has a large body, broad shoulders, austere countenance, large goggle eyes, dark yellow hair, strong coarse voice, oval ruddy countenance. The latter part of the sign makes the native weaker, his body more thin than small, and his hair rather flaxen.

"Raphael" in the *Key* states—

A large, full stature; big bones; full, broad shoulders, well set; grey eyes, quick sight; light hair and eyebrows; head large and round, complexion sanguine or ruddy.

"Simmonite" in the *Arcana* writes—

From twenty-five to thirty degrees denotes a tallish thin person, pock-marked, swarthy face, dark eyes and hair, broad shoulders, short arms and legs, and awry gait.

He qualifies this in the next paragraph, for he states—

Twenty-eighth degree, rather low and moderate complexion; twenty-seventh degree, rather stout and darkish, but good-looking.

As the ascending sign has several planets therein, we will see what they are stated to confer. Wilson quotes—

Jupiter in Leo makes the native strong, tall and well made, with light brown or yellowish curling hair, full eyes, ruddy countenance, and rather comely.

Sun in Leo gives a strong, well-made body, light brown or yellow hair,

sanguine complexion, with large eyes, a full face, with sometimes a mark or scar on it.

Mercury in Leo gives a large body, swarthy complexion, light brown hair, round face, full eye, and high nose.

Saturn in Leo produces a moderately large size, with broad round shoulders, wide chest, large bones and muscles, rather lean, bending forward, hollow eyed, light brown hair, and surly aspect.

"Raphael" in his *Key* is somewhat similar in his remarks. He writes—

Jupiter in Leo—a strong and well-proportioned person, the hair light brown, sanguine complexion, the eyes full and commanding.

Sun in Leo—a strong, well-proportioned body, fair sanguine complexion, light brown or sandy hair, full face, large eyes.

Mercury in Leo—large stature, rather lean, large eyes and swarthy complexion, round face, light brown hair, broad and high nose.

Saturn in Leo—large stature, shoulders broad and strong, the hair brown, large bones and body lean, the aspect surly and austere.

The sign the Moon is in must now be referred to, viz., Aries.

"Raphael" in the *Key* says—

Moon in Aries—indifferent stature, round face, light brown hair, well-made, grey eyes, and a good complexion.

Wilson quotes—

The Moon in Aries gives a middle stature but rather plump, round face, light brown or flaxen hair, tolerably good complexion.

Other authors give somewhat similar descriptions, which goes to prove they have more or less copied from one another, and now comes the difficulty, for we have to blend these various products, and give a description. Some may say that the planets Jupiter, the Sun, and Mercury should be ignored, for they are in the twelfth house and not within orbs of the Ascendant; but if we accept the rules laid down by authors, no such objection is admissible, inasmuch as all are in Leo. Take the aspects: the Moon is in square to Mars and Venus (but as these planets have little or no connection with the Ascendant—except, perhaps, that as Mars "disposes" of the Moon, he might be allowed a passing glance), trine to the Sun and Mercury, and sesquiquadrate to Saturn and the Ascendant, and also is in sextile to Uranus; these additional factors only increase the difficulty, as the student can readily see. Let us, therefore, refer to the photo-horoscope on page 34, Vol. IV. It will be seen that the hair is dark, forehead high, eyes moderate in size, bright hazel in color. The complexion is sanguine

(dark), the appearance of the face thoughtful. "Alan Leo" is fleshy, strong, and in height about five feet seven inches, bones rather large, what many would call a "well-made man." He is quiet in speech, and other characteristics will be found on page 35. It will thus be seen, that even with a combination of the effects said to be produced from the positions, etc., in the horoscope, how difficult it is to give a correct personal description, for austerity, goggle eyes, yellow hair, strong voice, etc., are quite beside the mark!

However, let us look a little farther, and give what Virgo in Ascendant produces, for there are more degrees of Virgo in the Ascendant than Leo.

"Raphael" writes (in *Key*)—

Virgo—a slender body, somewhat above the middle height, ruddy dark complexion, face round, dark hair and eyes; well-formed, but not handsome. Whilst Wilson states—

That native of Virgo is well-made, rather slender, dark ruddy complexion, roundish face, dark brown or black hair, small shrill voice.

Even if we blend the descriptions assigned to Leo and Virgo in Ascendant, the result is not satisfactory; but when I summarise, I shall allude further to this.

(To be continued.)

The Real Basis of Astrology.

Extract from "The Path."

IN attempting to arrive at any philosophical explanation of Astrology it will be necessary for us to regard the solar system in several aspects. If, for instance, we were to consider the Sun in a purely physical sense, we should find him to be the source of life and heat. He might also be conceived as the parent of the planets that lie within his circle of attraction, inasmuch as they are supposed to have originally sprung from him, according to the commonly-accepted Nebular Hypothesis. But, having proceeded thus far, we have come to the end of knowledge regarding the Sun's properties so far as defined by astronomical science. In the same way, taking up Saturn, Jupiter, and the other planets, we find that they have no relation with each other except such as is expressed by the general law of attraction.

Astronomy is thus seen to be limited in its scope to the physical or the material aspects of the planetary bodies.

ASTROLOGY A HIGHER ASPECT.

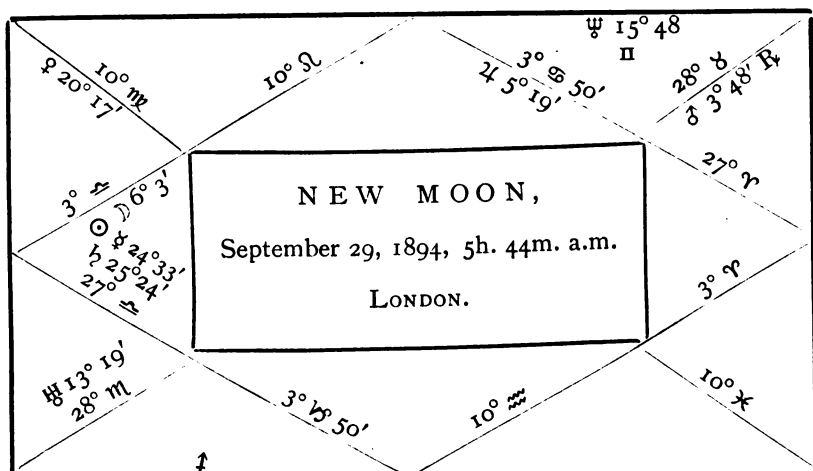
But is this all? Is there nothing beyond? May we not by careful study and analysis discover some elements existing in the Sun and his satellites which are not recognised by materialistic science, and which may throw some light upon the problems of planetary existence? The ancients thought so, and the oldest science known and taught among men was the Science of Astrology. Just how far they reasoned out the rules governing the movements and influences of the planets we cannot tell. That part of Astrology has never been divulged, being probably retained as something occult and pertaining to advanced initiation. What they did transmit was merely a set of empirical rules and statements which were essentially exoteric. Perhaps it was just as well, as in this Kaliyuga of physical science Astrology was bound to be neglected, and sneered at, and denounced in any event, whether its rationale was revealed or kept secret. There has, however, been published one book in recent years wherein are given many hints and suggestions by which any student, if so inclined, might do much towards reconstructing the Science of Astrology, and placing it upon a basis of reason, instead, as it is now, of empirism. I refer, of course, to the *Secret Doctrine*.

MICROCOSMIC ANALOGY.

In all speculative inquiries, whether in the field of physics or metaphysics, there is no argument which appeals to reason more forcibly than that of analogy. "As above, so below." This phrase expresses the intimate relation and correlation between microcosm and macrocosm. Do we not recognise the fact that law and order permeate the universe? Students of occultism learn as one of their earliest lessons that Man is ever to be regarded as the microcosm and external Nature the macrocosm, or, in other words, that the same general laws or tendencies governing mankind are also exhibited in the natural world. This analogy being once clearly established, it is comparatively easy to understand that the planets and the Sun, like Man, may have a manifold constitution, and may be regarded in many different aspects. The astronomical view is manifestly the lowest, as it comprises only their physical or material attributes.

(To be continued.)

Mundane Astrology.



AS will be seen on inspecting the above map, the lunation is formed in the Ascendant. As cardinal signs are angular, and the luminaries and three planets are in such signs, the month will be prolific of notable events.

From the conjunction of Mercury and Saturn on the cusp of the second house, and Venus (ruling the second) being afflicted in the evil twelfth house, there will be heavy failures, defalcations, and cheating in connection with financial matters.

From the position of Mars and Uranus, we augur some serious explosions, railway accidents, and the like. The lights are afflicted by Jupiter; there will be trouble in connection with noted members of the legislature, and deaths in the higher circles of society are foreshadowed. Hospital scandals are likely to crop up, with much crime, chiefly with females. Neptune in the house of science may produce some scientific inventions.

Delineations for the Solar Month.

(Commencing September 23rd, ending October 23rd.)

[EXTRACT FROM "SOLAR BIOLOGY."]

LIBRA.

THIS nature is born between the 23rd September and the 23rd October. It belongs to that part of the body called the reins, and is the head of the trinity of the reproductives; therefore, it is a

conservatory of the reproductive fluid, and, as designated in the ancient mythology, represents the serpent, or psychic principle. The leading characteristics of all persons born between these dates is centred in their foresight. They are very positive and decisive in everything they do; they are not prone to reason except from the standpoint of intuition and observation. It is advisable that they carry out their first decisions in all matters that they undertake, unless they are acting for, or under the control of, another. They are very susceptible to the psychological influence of other minds, who act mainly upon their principle of intelligence: they thus take on the mental conditions and nature of others, and feel and act like them. Many of this class are found among the spiritualists, because of their great susceptibility to the psychic control, and their natural spiritual intuitions. As children they need a positive control by the parents; and in early life they should have a special drill in every department of their nature.

There are three different types born within this period. The first has large perceptive and a receding forehead, and unusually large organs of conscientiousness—according to Phrenology. Such persons are best adapted for speculators. If they will cultivate a moral habit of life, they need never be short of money. So long as they follow their own intuitions, they will rarely be deceived. They love excitement, which seems to be their natural sphere.

In the second class, the forehead is comparatively straight and narrow. These persons are best adapted for mercantile pursuits, buying and selling goods; they have a keen intuition as to what they can and cannot dispose of successfully, are apt to choose, in marriage, persons who are born in Pisces, whose nature is reason, and hence there is sure to be inharmony, from misunderstanding of each other's motives, from the fact that Pisces always wants a reason, and is capable of giving one. Libra can never give a reason for anything; they know they are right from intuition, but they cannot tell how they know, and nothing excites or annoys them more than to require of them a reason for their decisions and actions. They are frequently quick and high-tempered, which greatly depletes and impairs their health.

In the third class the forehead is round and broader through the temples. These persons are well fitted for book-keepers, and possess

great intuitional aptitude for the languages. They are enthusiastic lovers of scientific knowledge, always ready to take hold of and examine any new thing, are great students of books, and love to collect works relating to scientific and mystical subjects. They have the finest natural mechanical abilities of any of the twelve signs. They are best adapted to the higher branches of mathematics. Frequently they are found as public speakers and writers.

It is seldom that any great height is attained by those of this sign, except in the educational sphere. Being students rather than originators, they frequently spend a lifetime in study and research for knowledge, examining every new thing that comes up, carefully studying and weighing it in the balance of their intuitions; and if they can adapt it to the fine interior nature which they possess, they are apt to accept it *verbatim et literatim*. They have very fine sensibilities, and are just and honest in their dealings. They have in their innermost selves a fine ideal world of love, order, harmony, and equity; and as they do not find this in the outer world, they are inclined to frequent periods of melancholy. They seldom like to push their way out into the combat of life, but rather seek a sphere of quiet, where they can act from their soul, or intuitional nature. They are frequently writers and professional men, and their great imitateness gives them fine mechanical and, sometimes, artistic abilities.

Degrees of the Zodiac Symbolized.

(Continued from page 44.)

LEO.

ELEVENTH DEGREE.—A man and a woman are seated at a table, whereon viands and wines are lavishly abundant.

It indicates a person of a very sensuous nature, addicted to extravagant habits, and apt to be easily led into dissolute ways by ill-chosen companions. There is very little firmness or strength in the native, though the disposition is genial, kind, and sociable. The instinctual sense, however, is stronger than the moral sense, and therein lies danger of self-debasement and loss of virtue. It is a degree of *Self-indulgence*.

12th degree.—A fine bull, of a white color, grazing in the shade of a large tree, which stands in a park.

The person denoted by this degree will lead a quiet and successful life, and will either be born into large estates, or will join such by marriage. In character, the native will be steadfast, firm, independent, very reserved, benevolent, yet outwardly forbidding, patient and cautious. This degree is one of *Advantage*.

13th degree.—A jutting rock, upon which some tufts of grass hold a thin, but certain existence.

It indicates a person of firm and steadfast character ; one who will resolutely hold to his own beliefs and principles, though it be to his disadvantage. In some ways the mind will be precocious, and there will be some degree of self-assertion shown ; but, whatever the native may determine upon as the right thing to do will assuredly be done if within the compass of resolute striving. It is a degree of *Constancy*.

14th degree.—A broken wheel lies upon the ground, while a horse grazes near by.

It indicates one of small resources, little power of invention, and not much executive ability. The native is very *laissez faire*, and drifts too easily through life ; and this want of direction will be apt to lead him into evil conditions. The native may be fortunate, but it is certain that he will not retain his wealth owing to his own fault. It is a degree of *Aimlessness*.

15th degree.—A figure like the angel of the Sun (Michael), standing erect, and striking the earth with the point of a dazzling sword.

It indicates a person of very superior ability in some special direction ; one in whom the power of government will reside ; a mind somewhat ambitious, but conscious of its own powers—which are of no common order—so that no unjust advantage is taken. In some sphere of life the native will be an imposing figure, or may do something which will call for wide recognition. Fame and power attend this degree. It is one of *Superiority*.

“Raphael’s” forecast for August hit the mark fairly well—“The Government will be strong, but not popular,” was correct. Supply was rapidly gone through in the Commons ; but the Lords threw out the Evicted Tenants’ Bill, and the Irish and extreme Radicals attacked the Government rather unexpectedly, because of the failure to declare any definite policy with regard to the House of Lords. The miners’ strike in Scotland, continuing, fulfilled another estimate ; and the prediction of “sickness” or some dangerous complaint, eventuated in the epidemic of smallpox in London.

The Degrees of the Zodiac and their Nature.

(Continued from page 40).

BY "APHOREL."

vi.—If then the *virtue of these Degrees* must be taken from the Stars which once possessed them, since they *are removed*, and that *virtue gone*, in how great an error must they be which are thus mistaken and can produce such variety of *experimental effects*, for those things in which there really lay *no efficient cause*? Now, if such *eminent experimental effects* can be produced from those things where there is *nothing in the least of any efficient cause*, how great effects might we suppose should be the product of that, where (in truth) *the said cause doth reside*, if the propogators of that doctrine should once undertake to prove the same?

vii.—*One reason more may we urge*, which is the last of them which we urged against the Planetary Hour, to which (for the avoiding of Tautology) we shall now refer you: many other reasons we have, and much more could we say against this *idle Arabian superstition*; but that (as we think the matter deserves it not), as we judge that what we have already said (if not enough to the purpose, yet so much to the purpose), as may sufficiently *refute* this received error, *satisfy* the ingenious, *inform* the ignorant, and *stop the folly* of such as wilfully oppose themselves. *Hitherto of our reasons against this Doctrine; it remains now, that we examine a few arguments in the behalf thereof.*

viii.—Why should not those greater causes which (as by the *Adversaries' concession*) signify a *violent death*, as the position of Cauda in the eighth, the conjunction of Saturn and Mars in the fourth, in square to Venus, lady of the Ascendant, and she combust in the twelfth, etc., rather signify the Native's *violent death*, than that the Terms of the Infortunes being upon all the Angles should ONLY OR ALONE discover it to be so? Why may not the square of Mars in the eighth to the Lord of the Ascendant, and the Lord of the Ascendant in opposition of Mercury, Lord of the eighth, be rather significations of a *Violent Death*, than the Moon being in the Terms of a Malefic? since we can produce several examples to the contrary of the first; and doubt not but some may be found to contradict the last.

ix.—Why should the position of Jupiter (a benevolent) in the sixth in the Terms of Mars in dark and pitted degrees, and of Mercury, lord of the sixth in the Terms of Saturn and in void degrees, signify a *stinking breath*, rather than the square of Mercury (Combust, and lord of the sixth in Leo) to the lord of the Ascendant? Since Mercury is significator of the *Breath and Spirits*, and (as he is lord of the sixth) significator of the *Native's diseases*, may not the *breath* be very probably *hot, strong, and stinking*, where the lord of the sixth is combust, since the disease generally participates of his nature? and Jupiter, significator of the *lungs, peregrine* in the sixth also? Why may not the conjunction of Venus (lady of the Ascendant) with Mercury (the *significator of the breath and spirits*), and both combust, and in opposition of Saturn, rather signify a *stinking breath*, than the position of Jupiter, lord of the sixth, in

degrees void, or the position of the *Moon*, in degrees dark and pitted? Why should not *the conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter in Cancer in the sixth, and the square of Mars to Mercury* (significator of the breath and spirits) be rather significations of a stinking breath, than the position of *Saturn, Jupiter, Mercury, or the Moon*, in pitted and azimene degrees? Lastly, why should not *Jupiter in the sixth, afflicted by the square of Saturn, and Mercury in opposition of Mars* (*Jupiter signifying the lungs, being hurt by the affliction of Saturn, who corrupts through too much cold, and Mercury, the breath and spirits, being hurt by Mars, who corrupts, through too much heat*) signify a stinking breath, rather than the position of the *Moon and Jupiter* in azimene degrees?

x.—In the nativity of the *Royal James*, there is *one thing* which we cannot but admire at, which is, that the *radical good position* of the heavens should take away the consideration of *that evil direction*, which signified its destruction; and then at length to solve the matter, a deep reason is urged, and what is that? truly nothing else but *deep degrees ascending*, or the terms of *Saturn* and the position of *Venus and Luna* (though strong in *Taurus*) in deep or azimene degrees, as though all the evil which fell upon that vessel and its commander came not from any *evil direction* in their Radixes, or transits of *malign planets*, by the places of principal and concerned significators, or from a *bad revolution*. No, all that evil proceeded ONLY from deep pitted, or azimene degrees! A profound judgment, full as true as the influences of those degrees are evident and certain.

xi.—We cannot but wonder that anyone should *blemish the Heavens*, or cast *such aspersions and dirt* upon the *Celestials*, as to term some places or parts *bogs or foul holes*. Surely the Powers above are just, and cannot let any go without a *Recrimination* of these affronts upon the heads of such as offered them; but see a *Recantation • Pentameter*, where (although upon another occasion) the Adversary is forced (truly) to confess, that

The parts of Heaven are like to Heaven alone,
As Heaven to God who made it; who's but one,
And how poor *Scorpio* being a part should be
Thus subject to Surque'drious raillery
As to be styled bad; the whole being good!
Is not by me (nor thousands) understood.

If this holds good in the sign *Scorpio* (as undoubtedly it does), why not in all parts of Heaven, for as a sign is part of the Zodiac, so is a degree part of a sign.

xii.—But what has the Adversary done farther? He has brought examples to confirm his opinions of these lame degrees, and a lame argument to defend the same, to wit, an afflicted *Jupiter in the sixth, together with an afflicted Mercury*! To the first we answer—that as very few figures can be produced in which some of the significators will not be in some of these degrees, so we can produce several examples (*it may be twice forty at least*) which have had *all or most* of the significators in those degrees, and yet the natives are not only free from a stinking breath, but any other defect of the body. And what was the reason? It was because all the significators were free from affliction. If this was not true, most people of the world would be troubled with a *stinking breath* or *some other defect*, which our very senses can convince us of to the contrary.

(To be continued.)

BY "RAPHAEL."



♄	11° N. 20'	♅	22° S. 24'
♆	8° N. 20'	♆	24° S. 20'
♇	14° S. 26'	♇	25° S. 40'
♈	19° N. 26'	♈	10° N. 14'

The map is an uncommon and striking one. For instance, the ☵ ☳ ☴, ☱ ☳ and ☳ ☱ are very bad *financial* aspects, particularly the latter. On the other hand, the ☯ ☴ ☳ and ☶, and ☷ ☴ ☲ and ☶ are favorable, and denote generally a large amount of caution and foresight. The chief danger appear to be from *sudden* impulses for new enterprises or speculations. From the age of forty-five to fifty, the ☯ will meet the ☱ of ☲ and ☶, and these years will be the most eventful in the native's life ; all changes, speculations, and adventures of all kind should be persistently and studiously avoided.

Now, the direction in which the native should go is denoted by the ☉, ♀, and ☿, for these planets are less afflicted than the others, and the point of the compass signified is S. S.W., or S. by W., from the

place of birth, and not far distant therefrom, as the lord of the third is less afflicted than the lord of the ninth; the house should face the south, and be near the end of a street or road.

The native does not say if he is in employ or in business for himself; if the former, let him remain where he is, and make no change whatever until the aforesaid evil influences have passed. He should also be studious of himself, and all troubles, whether to health or fortune, should be nipped in the bud. It is an interesting and curious nativity, and denotes much precision and force of character, and firmness of purpose, rendering the native an excellent and skilful *manager*, in which capacity he would meet better fortune and fewer troubles than in anything else.

Review.

"THE UNKNOWN WORLD."

A Magazine devoted to the Occult Sciences, Magic, Mystical Philosophy, Alchemy, Hermetic Archæology, and the Hidden Problems of Science, Literature, Speculation, and History. Edited by Arthur Edward Waite. Price 6d. monthly, post free, of James Elliot & Co., Temple Chambers, Falcon Court, Fleet Street, London.

This magazine, the first number of which was published last August, is a very welcome addition to occult literature. As will be seen, it covers somewhat similar ground to *Borderland*, but in spite of this it does not conflict with that excellent quarterly. Its tone is learned and literary; and the first number, in addition to several articles by the Editor on Mysticism, Alchemy, Mysticism in Poetry, Paracelsus, Hermetic Poets, and the Rosicrucians, contains others by Mr. Edward Maitland (Dr. Anna Kingsford's colleague) on the New Gospel of Interpretation; by Mr. Sinnett on Theosophy; by the Rev. G. W. Allen (of the Christo-Theosophical Society) on Christian Theosophy, and others. Mr. Maitland's articles alone promise to be more than worth the price of the magazine. We can cordially recommend it.

CORRIGENDA.

Page 14, line 15 from bottom, for *two* read *no*.

Page 16, in the map, the symbol \wp , in the third house, should be \oint .

Page 19, in the map, \mathfrak{m} should be on the seventh, not $\mathfrak{m}\zeta$.

Page 25, in the motto, for *ne'er* read *never*, if you wish the line to scan properly.

Page 26, in the map, the minutes on the cusps were intended for decimal points. It makes no difference to the figure.

Page 27, read "hypercritical," not hypocritical.

Page 30, in the map, ♄ is represented as standing on his head. This is a most undignified attitude for an elderly god. Let the reader pass by with averted eyes.

Page 31, read "sublunary," not sublimary.

Page 32, ♃ omitted in the eleventh house.

Page 46, Thomas Staney Wilmot, not Wilnot.

Letters to the Editor.

Letters of general interest alone are inserted. Correspondents desiring reply must please enclose a stamped addressed envelope.

All correspondents should give full name and address, not necessarily for publication, but as a token of good faith.

N.B.—Writers of signed articles are alone responsible for the opinions therein contained.

CHICAGO.

SIR,—I would be pleased to have your opinion of the horoscope of a female child, L. B., born 9.35 a.m., March 23rd, 1881, at Cincinnati, U.S.A.

One of our American astrologers states that the horoscope is a most unusual and remarkable one, and qualifies his statement with the remark that no authority in the science has so far described a case of this kind.

On this account I think that a delineation of this child's nativity would be of more than ordinary interest to your readers, and trust that you may be able to give it space.

ENQUIRER.

INDIANAPOLIS, U.S.A.

SIR,—Would you kindly answer through the columns of your journal what you would consider the killing Planetary Positions of the two children whose births and deaths you find enclosed?

• Infant Vincent, born at Indianapolis, U.S.A., girl, October 27th, 1891, 1 p.m.; died of *Diphtheria*, May 11th, 1894, 10.45 p.m.

Robert Innis, born at Indianapolis, U.S.A., January 11th, 1890, 3.50 a.m. died March 7th, 1894, 4 a.m.—*Cold Fever* ending in typhoid condition.

Yours truly,

B. F. SCHMID.

SPAIN.

DEAR SIR,—This natus, data of which is to be found in the April (1894) number of the magazine, is by the correspondent who furnished you with the particulars looked upon as evidence in support of the exaltation of the ♄ in ♍. Whether the Moon may or may not possess more strength in this particular sign than it has hitherto been credited with, I am not going to commit myself in saying. However, from an inspection of the natus before me, I am bound to admit that I fail to see any tangible evidence in support of the controversy which has lately been going on respecting the strength of the zodiacal position or the Moon when posited in

Capricorn. Your correspondent informs us that the subject of this horoscope was born of poor parents put to work at eight years of age. She is now the wife of a mill manager.

It is not my intention to attempt a delineation of the horoscope. Nevertheless, I fancy I can see in the figure other significations than that of the ♀ in ♋, which are significant of that event in life upon which your correspondent lays so much stress, and which has helped to raise this female from a very humble position to that of the wife of a mill manager. Bearing on the marriage, we have the trine aspect of Jupiter, ruler of the Ascendant, with Mercury, ruler of the seventh. Venus essentially dignified in ♋ ♀, and ♄ ♀. Also the ♀ ♋, and P. ♄. These latter, with the position of ♄ in eighth, having a decidedly benefic influence upon the social and financial standing of the husband. Hence the success of the subject of this natus, as will be seen, came to her, not so much by her own personal efforts as by the throwing together of her life and fate with the life and fate of one whose influences for good are so traceable in her own natus.

The zodiacal and mundane, also the relative position of the ♀ with ♋, ♀, and ♄, are favorable, no doubt. Yet, dependent as the female is in the majority of cases upon the position of her husband, I think we should do well, when judging of pecuniary prospects in a feminine natus, not to overlook the seventh and eighth houses, with the positions of their rulers.

Yours truly,

ARTHUR ELSON.

CHICAGO.

MY DEAR SIR,—Your magazine comes regularly to my hands through your agents, the Occult Publishing Company, Boston, and I find it invaluable in astrological studies. Recently, I was called upon to cast a chart, or figure, for a young man born June 21st, 10 a.m., 1863 (about), near Boston, to see if anything could be determined for him.

He has been an invalid for some years—since he was fifteen, at which age he received a blow on the back and injured one of the kidneys. He was much debilitated by it, and in maturer years he finds it impossible to retain the vital fluids, and his nervous system is much depleted. He says the emissions are almost weekly.

He would like to know what to do for himself; he is too weak to work, an invalid continually, bears his burden with good grace, and is consequently worthy of advice. His moral life I believe to be excellent. In talking with him, I advised all light foods, with an occasional fast for twenty-four hours, and metaphysically treated him by a few encouraging words.

Will you kindly advise me through the *Astrologers' Magazine*, or privately by letter. I have no British stamps, but will mail you the fee. I would prefer it through the magazine.

I may say that Astrology is being more and more enquired into by thinkers.

“ATHACUS.”

P.S.—He is medium height, dark hair, bridge on nose, decidedly martial, I enclose figure.—A.

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Marriage.

By "ALAN-LEO."

(Continued from page 52.)

"Love has its instinct."

THE next example, which I now introduce to you, is that of "Luke" and "Lillie." With the former I became intimately acquainted with the object in view of thoroughly understanding his nature. He was the most erratic, fidgety, and irritable lad you would wish to meet, and for all the world like a cat on hot bricks. I made his acquaintance in the spring of 1888; he was then courting a rather tall and fair young lady, and it was generally understood throughout the town in which they resided that they were engaged; he was a tradesman and well known, but to the surprise of everyone, myself *excepted*, he suddenly broke off the engagement which had lasted three years, and within a month was paying his addresses to "Lillie," whom he married after a six weeks' courtship.

On the following page you will find three maps. No. 1 is the horoscope of "Luke." On reference to this map we find the planets Mars and Uranus in the seventh, the house of marriage. Now the latter planet has been proved to be inimical to the orthodox methods of love, courtship, and marriage. In this case he has the square of the Moon to help him in his peculiar work, and without doubt he was the cause of this young gentleman being suddenly off with the old love and quickly on with the new.

Now, "Lillie" was a barmaid, but not with that grace and beauty peculiar to those damsels, but a plain and sensible young woman, whose smile was sweet and manner gentle. Now "Luke's" shop was a few doors from "The Rose and Crown," and on the opposite side of

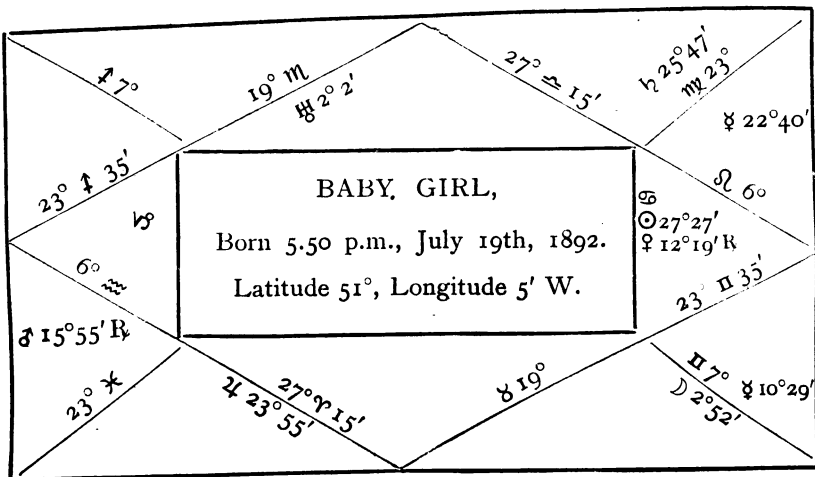
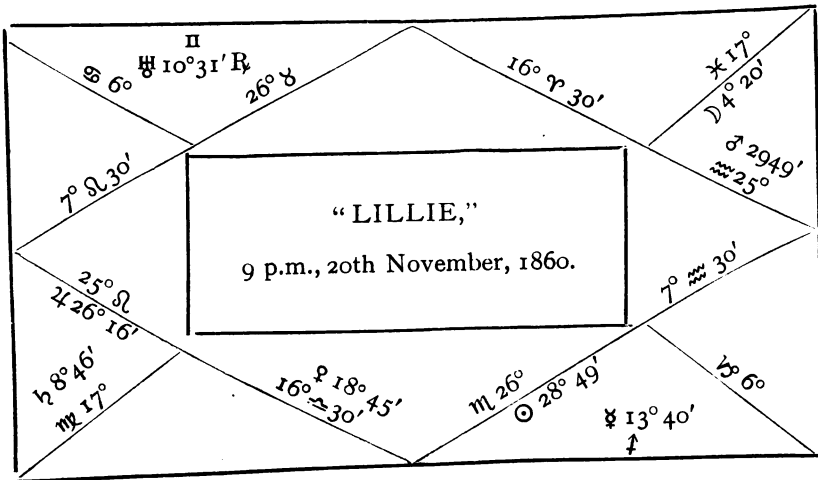
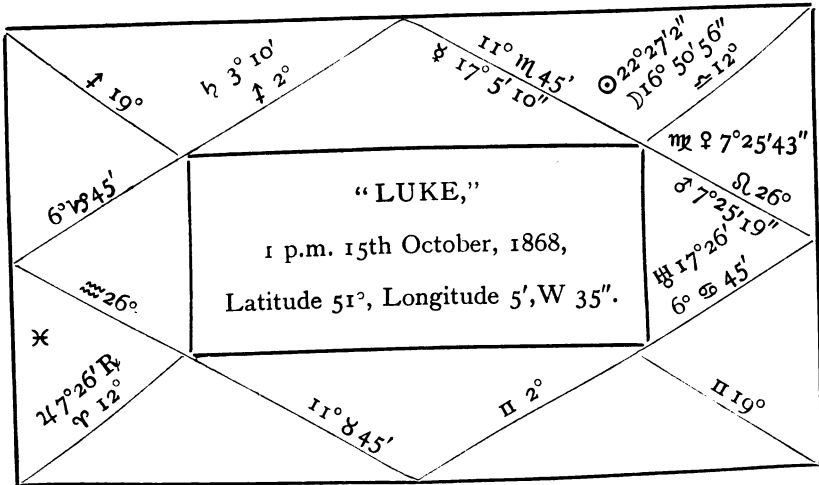
the way ; so one day " Luke " thought he would try the bitter beer sold at this establishment. He was beginning to feel lonely without his sweetheart, for he was one of those restless individuals who could never be happy by himself five minutes together, and this day, having nothing better to do, he paid his first visit to this hostelry, and unconsciously met his fate.

Now " Lillie " was a distant relative to the landlord of the " Rose and Crown," and was so far comfortably settled that matrimony was not exactly in her line, besides she had had an experience, the particulars of which you will be able to trace by reference to map 2 ; and she was beginning to feel her chances of " going off " were small, but she kept her smile ; it was her stock-in-trade, and just about all she possessed, so on the day of " Luke's " visit she smiled as usual, the same old smile ! maybe it was a trifle sweeter, for with it she added the remark that it was fortunate there was no milk about. Now whether it was the observation or the smile, I know not, but either the music of her voice or the magnetism of her sunny face had a strange effect upon " Luke," for he roused himself up and answered that it was rather fortunate, and entered into quite a lively conversation, so that these two became quite friendly and charmed with each others' society ; now it happened to be " Lillie's " evening off, and no sooner did " Luke " become aware of it than he proffered escort which I need scarcely say was accepted, and thus began the courtship which ended six weeks later in marriage.

Now this was certainly a case of love at first sight, and so suddenly did Cupid shoot his arrow that before the day was over, and under the stars that held their fate, they sealed their future, but sorrow oftimes follows joy, as will be seen by the following.

" Luke's " mother possessed a tongue of more than ordinary length, the truth of which you may verify by beholding " Luke's " tenth house, the cusp of which is her Ascendant. Now " Mrs. Luke " presided over her son's business, and the idea of " Luke " taking to himself a wife was by no means pleasant news to her, so she set to work to oppose the match in every manner possible, giving poor " Luke " an unhappy time of it, until he was driven to do the very thing his mother would have him not do—get married, but, " All's well that ends well." " Lillie " won her future mother-in-law to her favour with that charming smile.

Now for the directions :—



(To be continued.)

Aspects : Dexter and Sinister,

AND THE PART OF FORTUNE.

BY "LEO."

(Continued from page 56).

THIS method of reckoning from the Sun and Moon seems to play a larger part in Eastern than in Western Astrology, and is capable, of course, of more elaboration than I have given it here.

Of the five pairs of aspects to which I have referred, the influence of the 30° , 60° , and 120° is known to be more or less good, while that of 90° and 150° is more or less evil. But by reference to the houses to which these separately correspond, some additional information may be gathered respecting each.

If we place the Sun on the cusp of the Ascendant, and imagine the Moon moving away from it, the first aspect it will come to will be the sinister semi-sextile, corresponding in nature to the cusp of the second house. The dexter semi-sextile corresponds in nature to the cusp of the twelfth, and is therefore very different to the former.

The second aspect is the sinister sextile, the nature of which is that of the third house. The dexter sextile is of the nature of the eleventh house.

The third aspect is the sinister square, of the nature of the fourth house, the dexter square being of the tenth house.

The fourth aspect is the sinister trine, of the nature of the fifth house; the dexter trine referring to the ninth.

The fifth, and last aspect, is the sinister 150° , of the nature of the sixth house; while the dexter 150° is similar in influence to the eighth house.

That the aspects really do have the influences here attributed to them, I have very little doubt; and the fact can be proved by an appeal to horoscopes, when the natives are fairly well known. I have compiled the following list, showing the aspect the Moon bears to the Sun in each case. They all refer to horoscopes of birth, except when otherwise indicated.

D. Δ , President Lincoln ; Henderson's murder, Vol. IV., p. 11 ; Boulanger's suicide, p. 40, Vol. III.

S. Δ , Doré.

D. \star , Napoleon III. ; Tennyson ; S. T. Coleridge : Sir Joshua Reynolds ; Dumas, *père*.

S. \star , Prince Consort ; Mme. Blavatsky ; Stanley ; Garfield's murder ; George Eliot.

D. \square , Gladstone ; Mrs. Besant ; Carlyle ; Cardinal Manning ; Duke of Edinburgh.

S. \square ,

D. Δ , Beaconsfield ; Browning ; Alan Leo.

S. Δ , Adelina Patti.

D. 150, Shelley ; Miss X's suicide, Vol. III., p. 4.

S. 150, Napoleon I. ; Emperor Frederick of Germany ; Prince Rudolph.

The dexter semi-sextile is of the nature of the twelfth house, and it will be seen that the three cases given all suffered from that influence, dying violent deaths. It is worth noticing that at Lincoln's death the Moon was a dexter sesquiquadrate from the Sun, corresponding to the middle of the eighth house.

The sinister semi-sextile is of the nature of the second house, and the only illustration I have is that of the artist Doré, and doubtless he made a good deal of money by his art.

The dexter sextile measures to the eleventh house. It lifts the native up in life, gives him ambition, and, if the rest of the horoscope is favorable, the means of satisfying it. It brings many friends to assist the native.

The sinister sextile has influence like the third house—writings, letters, magazines, journeys, &c., and is well exemplified in the names appended.

The dexter square is a tenth house influence ; it brings power and influence over the masses, it lifts the native up, makes him prominent, and enables him to command others. In addition to the names given, the present German Emperor (William II.) and Victor Hugo may be mentioned as men with the Moon in a position corresponding to the mid-heaven, although there is no technical aspect in either case.

Of the sinister square (fourth house), I have no good illustration. If well aspected by planets, the Moon in this position should bring good fortune through matters signified by the fourth house—property, house, the mother, &c.; but, if badly aspected, the reverse.

The dexter trine is of the ninth house—religion, intellect, literature, voyages, &c.

The sinister trine belongs to the fifth house, that of pleasure, and of those persons who follow occupations governed by that house, as is the case with the “Queen of Song.”

The two 150° aspects correspond to the eighth and sixth houses, death and disease. They are both unfortunate, and either give a comparatively early death or threaten a weak constitution and troublesome chronic illnesses, depending upon the aspects of the Moon.

I have not dealt here with semi or sesqui-squares, but the correspondence in each case will be quite evident to the intelligent reader.

D. \angle . Middle of eleventh. Trouble through friends, &c.

S. \angle . Middle of second. Pecuniary troubles.

I think these two aspects are somewhat modifiable in their evil; they are much less unfortunate if the planet that throws the aspect to the luminary is otherwise well aspected.

D. \square . Middle of eighth house.

S. \square . Middle of sixth house.

If the reader applies this to the various nativities and horary figures he meets with, he will soon be convinced that there is truth in the method, and will see that here we have a reasonable explanation of the origin of the “Part of Fortune.” The whole thing amounts to this: that the Sun is, next to the cusp of the Ascendant, the most important point in the astrological scheme. When the Moon is in conjunction with the Sun, the two influences are completely at one, and things signified by the sign and house in which the conjunction takes place become very prominent and important in the life history. When the Moon has separated about 30° from the Sun (more or less, according to the “orb,” whatever that may be conceived to be), it takes upon itself all the meanings of the second house, and manifests them in the life history in various ways, according to the sign and house it is in and the aspects it receives. This appropriation of the meaning of the second house continues until the Moon gets to within the orb of sixty degrees,

when it no longer possesses that influence, but changes to that of the third house ; and this continues until the Moon is at its first quarter, when its influence becomes that of the fourth house, and so on all round the figure.

All this is quite irrespective of the actual sign and house the two luminaries occupy.

It seems to me that this theory must have been perfectly familiar to the ancients, and that the "Part of Fortune" arose out of it by a slight modification, for, notice, I have used a regular interval of thirty degrees for the influence of every house. Now, the zodiacal signs always and everywhere contain thirty degrees, no more and no less ; but it is far otherwise with the mundane houses. A mundane house may contain almost any number of zodiacal degrees, from about fifteen to forty-five or more, according to latitude. If, then, instead of reckoning thirty degrees from the Sun for every change of influence, we take this latitudinal obliquity into account, we shall, in some cases, though not in all, get quite a different result. By zodiacal reckoning (ignoring the mundane scheme) when the Moon gets sixty degrees in advance of the Sun, its influence (with respect to the Sun) is, as I have said, that of the third house. But, if the sixty degrees are measured from the cusp of the Ascendant (taking the mundane scheme now into consideration) the sixtieth degree (the "Part of fortune") will sometimes fall in the second house, sometimes in the third, and sometimes in the fourth.

In this way we get the orthodox "Part of fortune," by taking the oblique motion into account ; and it only remains to decide whether this method of reckoning gives reliable results. The answer is tolerably clear and emphatic. By far the larger majority of astrologers have decided that the orthodox "Part of fortune" is very unreliable, and gives no trustworthy results. This being so, I appeal to the astrological world to test the scheme. I have suggested in the earlier part of this paper to ignore the oblique motion of the mundane figure, and to reckon a separate house for every thirty zodiacal degrees the Moon is distant from the Sun. This is practically equivalent to abolishing the "Part of Fortune," and only reckoning the Moon's distance from the Sun ; turning it into houses at the rate of thirty degrees per house.

Another mistake that has been made—so I think—is in the idea

that this "Part of Fortune" deals solely with money and possessions. It really pertains to all matters signified by the house in which it is situated (reckoning a house for every thirty degrees).

For instance, if the Moon is sixty degrees in advance of the Sun, its influence, with respect to the Sun, is that of the third house; brothers and sisters, letters, writings, newspapers, magazines, ephemeral literature, secretarial or clerical work, short journeys, etc., etc.

(To be continued.)

Jupiter in Cancer.

JUPITER entered Cancer on August the 20th, and for about a year the influence of the great high priest will be transmitted to us through that sign. It therefore becomes interesting to try and estimate what this combination is likely to bring about.

It will bring good fortune to all occupations connected with the water, to shipping, dockyards, those who travel by water, who live close by the water, to publicans and aerated water makers; and generally to all those who are closely associated with the watery element in their daily life.

In a rather less degree it benefits the crops, land, and the produce of the land, houses and property, and those who work on the land.

It benefits women, and increases the birth-rate, more especially in female children.

It is rather favorable for the cultivation of religion and science and the higher occupations of the mind generally; but at the same time it threatens death to some few eminent in religion, science and literature. It favours the spread of mysticism and occultism, clairvoyance and psychism generally; and its influence in this direction is of a higher kind than will be that of Saturn in Scorpio, for the latter is a closer approach to black magic than to white. Secret Societies on a religious basis will receive benefit from Jupiter in Cancer. Some religious or scientific question will come prominently to the front, and some important changes or discoveries will occur in these fields.

Scotland, Holland, Africa, and other places ruled by Cancer, will of course receive benefit from Jupiter's stay in that sign.

At times when Jupiter is afflicted by other planets, the good signified will be much lessened, and unfortunate events of the contrary nature happen, as may very likely be seen when Jupiter and Mars are in conjunction next spring.

LEO.

Delineations for the Solar Month.

(Commencing October 23rd, ending November 22nd.)

[EXTRACT FROM "SOLAR BIOLOGY."]

SCORPIO.

THIS class belong to the department of the sex function, and therefore to the fires of life. They have a great deal of magnetic heat in their system, and, if proper conditions of health exist, will not suffer much from the cold. They have strong appetites and strong passions, and, when angry, a very high temper; they have besides a very great deal of jealousy in their nature. They have great tenacity to uphold the accepted order of things, and are conservators and executors of the public opinion of their times; but set too much value on external appearances, and are rather inclined to be extravagant and self-gratifying. It is the general aspiration on the part of men of this sign to seek Government positions, also to be superintendents and overseers, for which they are well adapted. They are frequently found in the Government employ, for which function they have great holding power, and are persistent and determined in carrying out the measures they are entrusted to execute. Their nature may be said to be one of law, as they are remarkably inclined, when in positions so to do, to make laws and insist that others shall live by them. As a rule this nature is cold, unfeeling, and exacting, and especially so in seeing that their own laws are carried out.

As husbands and wives they expect to rule, and naturally demand obedience. They are influenced largely by the intensity of their sex nature, yet they have great control over themselves within certain limits. They are very dangerous in their jealousy. They frequently make very good surgeons, and, when religiously inclined, they are successful speakers and effective clergymen. As a rule, they are best adapted to sedentary occupations. They love to be praised and looked up to as superiors. Having a strong will it gives them great psychological power over others, and they are able to make themselves felt without a word. Through the magnetism of the hands that they have in connection with their great vitality, the ability to cure disease; this is especially the case where their bodily condition has been cared for, and preserved in health and strength, under which circumstances they are inclined to be fleshy. The only disease to which this nature is constitutionally liable is heart disease.

Alan's Page.

PROFESSORS.

From time to time some queer figures and delineations reach this office. Some of them do the professional astrologers great credit ; others are by no means creditable to the professor or the science. The other day I had the pleasure of seeing a nativity, with a cleverly-written delineation drawn by a lady-astrologer, who lives somewhere southwest. The judgment was arrived at by a peculiar method of her own, but the style and language was unique.

NEPTUNE, THE ASTROLOGER.

In this country we have some very good astrologers, and occasionally we have the benefit of their experience. Neptune, of Bristol, very often sends me some valuable information, gleaned from cases as they come under his notice. This gentleman is the only astrologer I have seen who looks his profession. He at once reminds me of the idea I have always had of the ancient Egyptians, a re-incarnation of whom he may be for all I know.

AMERICAN ASTROLOGERS.

But the Americans are ahead in this respect, and some curious horoscopes have reached here from America. Professor Henry, of Boston, sends me the following :

PECULIAR BIRTH.

Male child, born at 5 or 5.30 p.m., May 8th, 1894, Boston, Mass. This child was born in the street ; the mother whilst walking was taken suddenly ill, and the child was ushered into the world on the side-walk in the presence of a crowd. Professor Henry adds that the time was given differently by two papers, but he contends that it was with 30° of Libra on the Ascendant, the Moon between Gemini and Cancer (thereabouts) to cause quick birth, and as he has had a long experience, his opinion is of value.

A LADY'S IDEA OF VENUS.

A lady of small education, but profound faith (a combination sometimes found together), being told by an astrologer she was born under Venus, enquired which star that was. On its being pointed out, she remarked, "Ah! well! it's very small, but doubtless will be large enough for me; but how, Sir, shall I find room for my husband and sixteen children?"

Nativity of Baron E. Swedenborg.

(Continued from Page 58.)

The directions from the Epoch in April, 1744, were :—

Solar Primary : ☉ P. ☐ ♄ ♀ and P. ; ☐ ♂ P.

Lunar Secondary : ☾ P. ♂ ♂ ♀

The planets' places for the 17th June, 1687, at 2 hrs. 3 mins. a.m. (G.M.T.), which corresponds to the native's age from epoch, are as follows :

☉	☾	♄	♅	♂	♀	♁
5° 22'	28° 3'	5° 50'	16° 47'	20° 10'	10° 36'	22° 29'

It will be seen that the primary influences are from the evil aspects of Saturn and Mars; while Mars also is joined to the Progressive Moon by its Radical position in the Epoch. The influence of Mars in this case is more to be distrusted because of its being in a Saturnine sign. In August, 1745, the Moon by Progress in the Epoch was in 16° 37' ♍, in exact sextile to the *retrograde* Progressive Jupiter, lord of the ninth, when Swedenborg returned to his native country after a sojourn in England.

We may now look at the influences which were in operation at the close of Swedenborg's life. On December 24th, 1771, he was attacked with a fit of apoplexy, which deprived him of his speech and lamed one side of his body, so that for three weeks he lay in a lethargy, unattended by any physician, and taking no sustenance but tea and cold water. The planets' places from the nativity, by progress, are as follows :—

☉	☾	♄	♅	♂	♀	♁
12° 8 33'	9° 11 56'	19° 31'	26° 13 23'	22° 11 38'	9° 14 49'	24° 14 57'

(Saturn and Mercury are Retrograde.)

It will be seen at once that the Sun is approaching the conjunction of the Moon and Uranus in the nativity, preparing the subject for a mortal change.

The Moon is exact semi-square to Mercury, that planet being retrograde and within a few minutes of the exact opposition of Saturn in

the natal figure, the Moon therefore being in sesquiquadrate to Saturn. The Moon, in the sign of Mercury, was approaching the cusp of the sixth house. It will be noticed, too, that the Moon is in the sign π , which rules the arms, and though it is not stated, so far as I know, which arm it was that was paralysed, I should say decidedly the *left*, for the Moon is in the fifth, a "male" and "left" house.*

Now if we turn to the Epoch, we shall see other causes at work to the same end. The progressive measure of time is 84 days 16 hrs. 12 mins., which, added to the date of the Epoch, brings us to the 14th July, 1687, at 7.15 p.m. (G.M.T.). The planets' places are as follows :—

☉	♂	♂	♂	♂	♀	♂
1° 54' 47"	2° 54' 34"	7° 21' 21"	14° 4' 27"	19° 29' 29"	12° 44' 44"	19° 5' 5'

(Jupiter and Mars are Retrograde.)

The Sun is separating from the opposition of Mars in the Epoch, while the Moon has just separated from a conjunction with the Sun. Mercury is afflicted by an exact opposition of Mars, both planets being in signs productive of apoplexy. A little over three months later, viz., on the 29th March, 1772, this saintly man passed into the world whereon for twenty-four consecutive years his mind had been continually set. Of this event I consider the epochal directions the more significant. The Moon had passed from its conjunction with the Sun, a precursor, a great change in all nativities, and at the time of death was exactly in sextile to Saturn in $\approx 6^\circ 39'$, at Epoch. The Sun, too, had passed the opposition of Mars in the radical Epoch, and was applying to, and within a few minutes of a conjunction with Venus, the harbinger of Peace! In the nativity the directions were: Sun *ad* δ ♀ and ♄; Moon exact \angle ♂ Radix; the Moon being exactly on the cusp of the sixth. Surely death would come with a welcome hand to one who for so many years had lived the lives of two men, and whose regard for the things of this world must have waned proportionately as his interior vision was opened to the sublime realities of that beyond the veil!

"SEPHARIAL."

*See article on the "Distribution of the Signs and Houses," Vol. I. p. 137 (not indexed).

Degrees of the Zodiac Symbolized.

(Continued from page 66.)

LEO.

SIXTEENTH DEGREE.—A ram standing upon a barren rock, pawing the ground.

It indicates a person of a headstrong and rash disposition, extremely given to impulse; difficult to restrain; a formidable opponent and a warmhearted generous friend. The native is effusive, enthusiastic and restless; but capable of subsisting upon small fare and in all probability he will be poor though in some sense eminent. It is a degree of *Impulse*.

17th degree.—A man riding a camel with attendants following.

It denotes one who will be noted for his wide and prolonged travels. One whose life will be beset with dangers of a physical nature; who will leave a humble home and become a prominent figure in a foreign country. The character is stubborn, persevering, very vindictive and revengeful; not ungrateful but never forgetting injuries. The native will be somewhat fond of parade and self-advertisement, and in the end will be highly successful in life. It is a degree of *Journeying*.

18th degree.—A bright mirror in which the sun's rays are reflected.

It denotes a person of extremely brilliant and powerful intellect, who will make his mark in the world by means of his learning and originality of thought, the native will evince great powers of learning and assimilating the ideas of others, but on the other hand he will be equally apt in original inventions and brilliant schemes. The nature is sympathetic, kind and generous, and will be admired for his good deeds. It is a degree of *Shining*.

19th degree.—A man running in the face of a strong wind, but making little headway. His garments fly in tatters behind him.

It indicates one of small wit and lacking in executive power and originality of thought. One who will nevertheless set himself against public opinion and incur severe criticism and loss thereby. There is in the nature a certain foolish pride and obstinacy which is wholly

unallied to anything of originality or distinctive merit. It is a degree of *Foolishness*.

20th degree.—A crescent moon joined to a shining star.

It denotes that the native will have many changes in life and will eventually become eminent through his association with some person of high rank or merit. The native will be gifted with a powerful imagination, much versatility and a keen intuition. He will travel to distant countries, and will become eminent for his own mental brilliancy, apart from his associations, which however will be the means of his success. It is a degree of *Distinction*.

Mundane Astrology.



THE figure for the New Moon as shown above is by no means a favorable one. With the exception of Mars (who is in his own house retrograde), all the planets are below the earth, and, excepting Neptune and Jupiter (both of whom are retrograde), are likewise in the sixth house. This is an argument that sickness will be above the average, and that the medical fraternity will have a busy time. Notwithstanding, Jupiter is in the second house in his exaltation, he is retrograde, hence finance is poor and will be in a retrograde state. The ruler of the tenth in the sixth seems to foreshadow illness in royal

circles or amongst people in authority, and it is not improbable that a royal personage or one holding high rank will stoop to fate. There will be much crime affecting females, and some brutal murders will result from the opposition of Mars to Saturn and Venus.

The sixth is an evil house, and it is rarely we find it so heavily tenanted, and there being an "intercepted" sign, with four planets therein, make it all the worse. The student will be wise in noting coming events in connection with this figure and the quarterly one, the latter of which may be considered the primary, and the above figure the secondary, which fills in the details.

NOTES ON MUNDANE ASTROLOGY.

On page 33 of our September issue will be found the figure for the lunation of August 30th. From the position of Saturn on the cusp of the 7th house, and Uranus therein in an intercepted sign, we remarked "the positions of Uranus and Saturn are decidedly unfavorable for peace, and we may expect disturbances abroad that will keep our Foreign Office busy." How closely this is borne out is evident to all who read the newspapers, for the war between China and Japan, besides African troubles, has indeed kept our Foreign-office people active.

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It is well to note that the sign Libra greatly affects the affairs of China, and here we see the greater infortune Saturn in this cardinal sign. True, some may say he is "exalted," but be it noted that he is afflicted by the semi-square of the luminaries from an evil house, and, if we look at the map from another standpoint, and take the house having Libra on the cusp as the Ascendant for China, the luminaries would be in the 12th house void of dignity, and denoting secret enmity or treachery from persons in high authority denoted by the Sun and the Moon.

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Again, Uranus is there also in an intercepted sign, and is opposed by Mars, the active planet in Taurus, and if we take this planet as the significator of China's enemy (Japan) in this case, the affliction China has received (if the published reports are to be believed) is heavy, aptly foreshadowed by the strong aspect (opposition) and coming from the energetic planet in a "fixed" sign, the effects will be permanent.

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Another prediction on the same page in reference to divorce has been borne out in the Courtenay divorce case, where the husband brought an action against his wife (who is better known as "Marie Lloyd," the music-hall artiste), but which has fallen through.

Saturn in Scorpio.

THE slow-moving Saturn, lord of the outermost sphere, enters the sign Scorpio on November the 6th. As Uranus will also be at the same time in the same sign, two cold, negative, and more or less malefic planets in a martial and mysterious sign, it will be interesting to note what happens during the time they are there; that is to say, during the next two-and-a-half years. The actual conjunction of the two planets in Scorpio will not take place until the end of 1896, and it will be in the latter part of the sign.

It is curious that on the day when Saturn enters Scorpio, the Sun, Mercury, Venus, and Uranus will also be in that sign, making, with Saturn, five planets in Scorpio. The previous New Moon is also in that sign, and one of the planets—Mercury—is retrograde.

I anticipate that the influence of Saturn in Scorpio will be quite distinct and apart from that which it had been when in Libra; and those who watch will see its effects upon the peoples and nations of the world.

In the first place, it is evident that all towns, districts, and countries ruled by Scorpio will suffer severely. These are given as—Vez, Morocco, Algiers, Barbary, Judea, Syria and Cappadocia, Norway and Jutland, Bavaria, Valentia, and Catalonia. Towns: Frankfort-on-the-Oder, Liverpool, and Messina.

In addition, there are several general significations resulting from Saturn in Scorpio, which will apply more or less to all countries.

There will be great mortality among the aged in all ranks of life, also among royalties, statesmen, people in authority, and the very rich. Some crowned head will descend into the grave.

Governments will be unstable, and will find themselves at variance with both the people and the temporal and spiritual dignitaries. In England it looks as if a heavy blow will be struck at the power of the House of Lords.

Ireland will become less quiet and more discontented than she has been for the last few years, and the Irish M.P.'s will be found attacking the Government once again.

The financial affairs of the nations will not prosper; there will be

many serious strikes, and an angry feeling between men; the rich will suffer loss.

Occultism will continue to spread, but more in the form of mediumship and the occult arts than true occultism.

Many deaths will take place through diseases originating in those parts of the body governed by Scorpio. Cases of scandal and divorce, of assaults on females, of murders and sudden deaths, will increase, as will also executions for capital offences.

The Queen's health will become unsatisfactory, and she will be in danger, especially when travelling or when abroad.

The Prince of Wales and Mr. Gladstone will both suffer, for Saturn will transit the Sun of the former and the mid-heaven of both.

LEO.

Notes on Planetary Cycles.

THERE are certain Planetary cycles of thirty-six years each, during which each of the planets rule in turn for one year; so that the first ruler of the cycle, which gives its name thereto, also closes it at the end of the fifth repetition of the annual rule of each planet; for as there is a period of thirty-six years concerned, and seven planets each to rule a year at a time, it follows there will be a fivefold recurrence of each planetary rule, and one year will remain to complete the cycle, and that year is governed by the planet which began the series.

The influence then passes on to another cycle. At present we are in the cycle of Mercury, which began in the year 1873; and the sub-cycle or annual rule for the year 1895 is that of the Moon. Hence we are able to say that *great mutations* will happen in the world during the year 1895. It will be a year of reformations and large public movements; a year of democratic rule and social changes.

The present cycle, ruled by Mercury, is one which is devoted to the progress of science and literature; to sanitary and dietetic reforms; to medicine; to the questions of labor and capital; to international communication; telegraphy, the postal service, railway traffic, and the like means of intercourse; and thus, imperceptibly, to the recognition of Brotherhood (third house) among men. Generally speaking, the

things ruled by the sixth and third houses and the signs Gemini and Virgo will continue to advance, while Mercury holds sway.

Next comes Mars, whose rule commences in the year 1909. During his reign individualism will grow apace; the self-regarding and egotistic faculties will be brought into play, and under the name of "Liberty," selfishness and cruelty will wield a strong and tyrannous hand. Is it to be supposed that the age will be without its leader, or the people without their master? If one would catch the spirit of that generation, let him but mark the doings of this planet Mars when last he held sway, from 1657 to 1692. Nor will the land be free from heavy afflictions in the matter of national plagues and widespread epidemics, terrible fires, and the like; as in the old days referred to. And let it be remembered that if, in times of peace like our own, men of science have the leisure, and governing bodies have the means, to study the laws of health and to apply them, as also to safeguard the people against other terrible and sweeping disasters—yet, in times of war it is quite otherwise; and if there be any doubt that the future can possibly see the country plunged into a condition of blind assurance and reckless action, let the reader ponder upon the cyclic laws which have worked for the upbuilding of other great nations in the past, and for their destruction. Is it possible that England shall remain invulnerable for ever, and resist the laws which govern the transmission of life-forces from one centre to another, for the continual sustentation of the human race? Why, out of its very prosperity, we may find the causes for its near decline; as a thing which has come to its culmination; a meridian star, a tree at the time of its fruiting, the mother of many children, or the Moon at the full. Rest assured, that in the generation of Mars and the cycle next to come, little heed will be given to the common life, while that of the individual will gain for each man a new importance and value, such as attaches to things which are hazardous in the holding; not over-hard to come by, but hard to preserve. If one would go further in his prognostications, let him consider well the nature of Mars and over what houses he rules in the natural zodiac, for that is the key of the matter. Next let him consider what planets rule each of the year in succession throughout the planetary cycle of Mars, and so draw his judgment from the combinations thus

afforded.* The superior planets, Saturn and Jupiter, form their conjunctions after a very simple and interesting law, which will repay study, since the phenomenon is of great importance in astrological speculations.

The Zodiac has been divided into Four Trigons or Triplicities, named after the cosmic elements of the ancients: Fire, Earth, Air and Water, according to the sequence of the signs of the Zodiac; Aries, Taurus, Gemini and Cancer, etc: thus:—

Fire ♈ ♎ ♊

Earth ♉ ♋ ♌

Air ♊ ♋ ♌

Water ♏ ♐ ♒

The conjunctions of Saturn and Jupiter fall in each triplicity successively, during a period of nearly two hundred years each.

In the fiery triplicity the conjunction first falls in ♊, then in ♎, and then in ♈, thus completing the triplicity. It then passes into ♋ again, into ♏ and ♊. In this order it passes through the complete trigon three times, and lastly falls in the sign which commenced the series. Thus it makes passage through $3\frac{1}{3}$ Trigons.

*For a complete set of the Planetary Cycles throughout the Christian era and future years, the reader is referred to *Kabalistic Astrology*, *Astrological Manuals* (No. 1).

(To be continued.)

The Degrees of the Zodiac and their Nature.

(Continued from page 68).

BY "APHOREL."

FROM hence we conclude, that if such virtue lay in these degrees, to do such wonders as are talked of, surely those effects could not be wanting in so many examples where the (supposed) causes are so previous. Had the Adversary read "Naibod," he might have there found some better reasons than those pitiful ones of Azimine degrees (but then they had to make our purpose), which he may (perhaps) be (yet) ignorant of. *Postea observandum est, quomodo malefici planetæ et loco aspiciant: nam si maleficæ ad partes dictis locis succedentes constiterint corpore aut radîs tetragonis, oppositive sive utraque maleficæ sive harum altera vitia and morbos nato infligunt, vide "Naibod" differentiae primæ Enaratiouum Elementarum Astrologiæ, pagina 88.*

XIII.—But, however, to make the case more plain and evident, we can produce several nativities, whose owners had radically a stinking breath, even to

their dying day, and yet none of their significators in those deep, pitted, or azimine degrees : what shall we then attribute to be the celestial cause thereof ? It is certain it was from some ill affection (like to those we have before enumerated) of the principal significators, if so (as it is indeed a truth) what ground have we then to believe all or any of these things, which are obtruded upon the world in this matter ? And where then is the experiment, since the effects never succeed, without a preceding greater cause ? Then why should we urge any more reasons against the Superstitions and Fables of the Arabians, or against the maintainers thereof, who confesses—men may, and frequently do fall into the multitudes of absurdities and follies, and this oftentimes when they think themselves most secure in their judgments, being then nearest to, or most in danger of being swallowed up of error ? How careful, then, we ought to be to prevent our being overtaken with a fallacy.

xiv.—Now, what a stir is their to maintain the credit and power of the Terms of deep, pitted, and azimine degrees, and their influences ! as though all the whole matter of Astrology lay in the understanding of them, and yet, after all, *it comes only to thus much (now we come to speak to the argument) that all this is spoken (not only in those examples, but perhaps in twice forty more) of an afflicted Jupiter in the sixth, together with an afflicted Mercury.* Alas ! whoever went about to deny this ? And who could have thought that after such a bustle, the Adversary could frame an argument (not only so little to the purpose, as that is nothing at all to the business, but such a one) as *doth in reality centre in our principles ?* Now, if so, how comes it to pass that the position of the significators in Terms deep, pitted, and azimine degrees can be the ONLY eminent or chief significations hereof ? But, indeed, the Arabians have filled the zodiaque so full of these defective places that scarcely any figure or nativity can be so free, but that some signicator or another will be posited in them, and then, behold, a miracle ! If a Native be born blind, or deaf, or lame, or dumb, or with a *stinking breath*, or with any other defect (see the verity of art), one signicator or another was posited in some of these lame degrees, and THAT and THAT ALONE was the discoverer of these things ! Notwithstanding the more weighty causes in the heavens (as the affliction of the infortunes), in position, combustion, retrogradation or peregrination of the significators. Tush, those things are nothing, terms deep, pitted, and azimine degrees are all. Since, therefore, we have evinced this much, we shall conclude, not only with Dr. More's words "that men should be so modest as not to think that utterly unintelligible, that themselves for the present cannot apprehend ; and that they should believe that God imparted all knowledge to the world for use, and not for curious and vexatious speculation." But also with the Adversary's desire that no man would be so disingenious, as resolutely, or wilfully to contend against manifest verities, although they do not appear to be so to them, but first disprove the things they would oppose, as WE HAVE DONE.

(To be continued.)

The Students' Corner.

BY "RAPHAEL."

ON looking over some back numbers of the *A. M.*, I find some letters and enquiries to which no replies (so far as I can find) have been given. In the July No., page 263, there is a long letter from "Zariel." His remarks on the pre-natal epoch I will pass over, and merely remark that, according to "Sepharial's" method, a pre-natal epoch can be found for any data, whether genuine or fictitious. I shall have more to say on this point shortly.

In judging the *personal appearance* of a native, *practical experience* is very necessary, and the locality and condition of the ☽ should be carefully noted, as well as the lord of the Ascendant and the quality of the sign ascending. Planets above the earth incline to tallness; if below, the reverse. If "Zariel" had given his time of birth, perhaps I could have helped him in his dilemma.

The ☽'s Nodes are variable places in the Zodiac where the ☽ passes from N. to S. Lat., and *vice versa*. The Part of Fortune is as far from the Asc. as the ☉ is from the ☽, but, so far, I have been unable to reconcile these imaginary points with reason, neither have I been able to detect them by personal experience; if they really have an influence, it must be very slight. On the other hand, the influence of the mundane houses I have had proofs of at every step, and although unable to give a satisfactory or reasonable explanation of them, yet I know they are as reliable as any part of the science. My opinion is, that the discovery of ♄ is a very good plea for supposing that the Nodes and Part of Fortune are simply *human* inventions.

The letter of G. H. L., page 283, is very interesting, and his suggestion as to the effects of ♀ and ♀ places is worth considering. The date of birth of his little boy would be useful and welcome.

On the next page is a letter from "Amateur" respecting transits over the radical ☉ and ☽. Many astrologers attach importance to the transits of the superior planets, but personally, I have but little faith in them, except they accord with the general condition of the planets in a nativity and also the directions; but the transits of ♄, ♀, and ♀ through the mundane houses I have found very striking.

Respecting the aspects of ♂ and ♀ in *Guide*, Vol. I., page 74, I say that these are to be considered principally, but not *exclusively*. There may be "extenuating circumstances," as in the case of my wife, whose ♀ is exactly on my Ascendant.

Notes on Recent Events.

In connection with the predictions that have been based on the entry of Jupiter into Cancer, it is well to note the effect of Mr. Gladstone's recent letter concerning Local Option. He stated that if this remedy were to be taken alone, he would regard it as little better than an imposture. This will very likely cause a new departure in temperance agitation, for the letter caused some consternation to teetotallers; and although the right honourable gentleman qualified his statement subsequently by stating that Local Option in some form or other was necessary, he made it clear that this remedy alone would not have much effect. The entrance of the greater benefic into the first of the watery triplicity is thus making itself felt.

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An eclipse of the Moon in the third decanate of Pisces took place on September the 15th, and it was accompanied and followed by severe fighting both on sea and land between the Japanese and the Chinese. Early in the morning of the 15th a battle on land began, lasting until the next day; and, in the end, the Chinese were completely routed. This was immediately followed by a naval engagement, which was very severe indeed, and both sides sustained much damage, but in the end the advantage lay with the Japanese. It is worth noting that an eclipse in the third decanate of Pisces is stated to cause—"theft, robbery, and rapine by land, and piracy and troubles by sea." The third decanate of Pisces is of the nature of Pisces combined with Mars in Scorpio, and thus fits the event very well. It is also noteworthy that a retrograde Mars (a dangerous position) has accompanied the war; and that Mars has been between the oppositions of Saturn and Uranus. In the region between Japan and China, the lunar eclipse fell from the ninth (the Sun) and the third (the Moon), indicating trouble by sea; while Saturn and Uranus were elevated and opposed by Mars.

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The lunar eclipse of September took place in the seventh house at London, and was followed by the resignation of the French ambassador to London. On October the 2nd a Cabinet Council was suddenly summoned by Lord Rosebery for the 4th, and alarmists were current in consequence as to strained relations between England and France, and the excitement had for a time an effect upon the London money market. In the end it was found that the Council was called to take measures to protect British subjects in China whose lives are in danger in consequence of the war. The retrograding of Mars into Aries will probably cause difficulty to England in this connection, and we shall be lucky if we escape without bloodshed.

Review.

"BORDERLAND" FOR OCTOBER.

WITH the present number of *Borderland* this new psychical quarterly completes its first volume. The editor congratulates his readers in the preface upon the fact that a periodical, which, when projected, was declared to be a fore-doomed failure, has now the largest circulation of any existing quarterly. Various new features are projected for the ensuing issue, among others, the compilation of a directory of mediums, the taking of a census of notable dreams, and a special appeal to photographers who, it is believed, frequently obtain on their plates evidence of the existence of other forms than those of their sitters. Naturally, the leading place in the number is given to a detailed analysis of Professor Sidgwick's Committee on the Census of Hallucinations, which has taken the evidence of 17,000 persons, as to their experience of occult phenomena. Besides the usual survey of psychical research for the quarter, *Borderland* contains several articles of more than usual interest. Miss X., the assistant-editor, describes her experiences with three haunted houses, in one of which she succeeded in seeing a ghost; this was in no less famous place than Hampton Court Palace, and her statement as to what she saw and how she saw it is very clear and explicit. The most marvellous article in the number is that entitled "Colonel Olcott's Madame Blavatsky." This is a compost of the most extraordinary assertions ever placed on paper. Colonel Olcott deliberately suggests that the real original Madame Blavatsky was killed at the battle of Mentana, and that the person who wrote "Isis Unveiled," and "The Secret Doctrine," and founded the Theosophical Society, was only the corpse of Madame Blavatsky which was tenanted by a succession of spirits, who found her body convenient for their purposes. Colonel Olcott backs this up by giving an Eastern receipt for reviving corpses by introducing into the body of the defunct the spirit of a living man or some disembodied spirit which wishes to have a renewal of earth experience.

The third article, which strikes out into a new field altogether, is contributed by Georgina Weldon; it is entitled "A Romance of the French Monarchy," and tells the story of how the lost Dauphin was discovered in the person of Louis XVII., better known as Neundorf, who, fifty or sixty years ago, founded modern spiritualism in France. Georgina Weldon's narrative is chiefly devoted to an account of the remarkable prophecies of a French peasant, who seems to have beaten John of Arc in the number of communications vouchsafed to him from the invisible world.

A more mundane article, and one which will naturally attract a good deal of interest in England and America, is the delineation of the hands of Mark Twain. A photograph of these hands was published in a previous number without any intimation of the person to whom they belonged, and four delineations more or less accurate are published by palmists and psychometrists, upon which it is hoped Mark Twain will report in the next number.

The only other article calling for special notice is a paper on the alleged miraculous healings at St. Winefride's Well, Holywell, in North Wales. The story is told of the origin of the well, and a classified list is given of some thirty alleged cures of various diseases.

Letters to the Editor.

Letters of general interest alone are inserted. Correspondents desiring reply must please enclose a stamped addressed envelope.

All correspondents should give full name and address, not necessarily for publication, but as a token of good faith.

N.B.—Writers of signed articles are alone responsible for the opinions therein contained.

DEAR SIR,—I am anxious to cast “tables of houses” per various latitudes that are not published, and cannot find in any author the rules. Could our friend “Raphael” oblige me with it. I am sure it would be welcome to many foreign readers as well as to

Yours faithfully,

“TABULATOR.”

DEAR SIR,—I beg to call the attention of students to an Aphorism which is about to assert itself in support of Astral Science and the knowledge of those who practised in ancient times. In the case to which I am about to refer, a long-silenced voice speaks to us to-day from out the remote depths of the sixteenth century in the words of prophecy, bearing distinctly upon events now transpiring.

Among the “Aphorisms of the Seven Segments of Jerom Cardan” (from the *Anima Astrologia*, edited by William Lilly in 1675, an exceedingly rare work) occurs the following passage:—

“When Saturn is in Libra, and Jupiter in Cancer, great changes and alterations shall happen in the world.”

Everyone will have noticed the great upheavals and tendencies to revolutionary changes in the two mighty factors of the World's existence—Society and Labor—which have marked the passage of the present year. With respect to war—that other and even greater element of mundane transformation—the air has been pregnant with rumours of battle for the past two years, ever since, in fact, Saturn entered Libra (the Balance). The latter is the ruling sign of China and Japan, and since the embroglio between these two nations, commencing with *Mars* in the *martial sign Aries*, in opposition to Saturn, which will probably strike the key-note of a great struggle to come, in which the whole civilized world may be involved, a striking confirmation of the correctness of astrological prediction at once presents itself to the reflective mind.

Jupiter entered Cancer on the 19th of August, so Saturn and Jupiter are now in the position indicated by Cardan's Aphorism, and it now remains to be seen what startling changes, far-reaching in their effects—as all present events plainly foreshadow—the next two years will bring to pass.

As all so-called coincidences which tend to establish the fundamental truth of Astrology in any of its branches must be of paramount interest to you and your readers, I need offer no apology for asking the favor of this in your columns.

Yours faithfully,

“ZARIEL.”

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Marriage.

BY "ALAN-LEO."

(Continued from page 75.)

"The world was sad! the garden was a wild!
And man, the hermit, sigh'd—till woman smiled!"

IT was the close of October, 1890, that "Luke" married "Lillie."
The following are their directions for that date:—

"LUKE'S" DIRECTIONS. | "LILLIE'S" DIRECTIONS.

Planets' Places—October, 1890.

☉ 14° 11' 25'
♂ 11° 11' 35' ♂ M.C.
♀ 2° 20'
♂ 18° 11' 28'
♂ 5° 11' 10' R
♂ 5° 11' 27'
♂ 1° 11' 0' Oct. Par. ♀ R
♂ 2° 11' 5' Nov. * ♀ P.
M.C. Prog. 3° 11' 45', ♂ ♀
Asc. Prog. 3° 11'

Process, October.

M.C. 3° 11' 20' ♂ ♀ P.
Asc. 5° 11' 20' Δ 11' & ♀ P.

☉ 29° 11' 20' Sep. Δ 11'
♂ 8° 11' 20'
♀ 25° 11' 8'
♂ 19° 11' 40'
♂ 26° 11' 56' R
♂ 9° 11' 32' □ ♀ P.
♂ 5° 11' 0' Oct. ♂ his 11'
♂ 6° 11' 0' Nov.
M.C. Prog. 16° 11' 30'
Asc. Prog. 27° 11' 40' Sep. ♂ 11'

Process, October.

M.C. 16° 11' 50'
Asc. 11° 11'

The process is now arrived at by taking the Prog. M.C., and adding 2½ degrees for each month; and then getting the oblique Ascendant for this. It is on the recommendation of "Sepharial" that we adopt this method.

On comparing the horoscopes you will find much sympathy between these two souls. His Sun and Moon are in conjunction with

her Venus, and his Mars falls upon her Ascendant; this latter it was that produced the love at first sight. But there is a point that many astrologers would not think favorable, that is, her Saturn conjunction his Venus; but this configuration will give constancy, and bind the union with a strong and lasting tie of sympathy.

Now, the directions in "Luke's" case are in the nature to produce marriage. At birth, his Moon first applies to the square of Herschel, with the result, as we have seen, of upsetting a three years' courtship. The next aspect the Moon applies to is conjunction Sun, and he marries a purely solar woman, a friend, who quickly becomes his wife, for Jupiter, the lord of his eleventh house, is exact trine to her Ascendant. The union was beyond doubt a happy one, but misfortune followed it. Their trials and troubles did but strengthen their love. It was wonderful to watch her handling this wild and erratic lad; his irritable nature knew no bounds, but "Lillie" bore it all with that womanly grace that is so characteristic of a good woman. She simply smiled and cheered him with that smile. She was prematurely confined in October, 1891, with a girl, who died within two hours of its birth. The next child, also a girl, was born at 5.50 p.m., July 19th, 1892, and within a month of its birth "Luke" failed in his business. For the benefit of students, I gave the child's horoscope on page 75. A study of this case will amply repay the student.

(To be continued.)

Aspects : Dexter and Sinister,

AND THE PART OF FORTUNE.

BY "LEO."

(Continued from page 80).

THIS influence will be only with respect to the Sun, not with respect to the Ascendant. For although the Moon, in this instance, will have the influence of the third house, it may be actually situated in any sign and any house from the first round to the twelfth. Let us suppose the Moon to be actually situated in the tenth house, and to be sixty degrees in advance of the Sun. Its solar influence (that of the third house) will then be made manifest through things signified by the tenth house, *i.e.*, celebrity, rulership, authority,

occupation, &c.; and will be again modified by the sign it is in, by the aspects it receives, and by the house it rules. In this case, we might have the native making himself famous through his writings, or he might receive assistance through brethren, or his occupation might necessitate a number of short journeys. This would vary so much according to sign and aspects that no two horoscopes would be precisely alike in their meaning.

If the Moon's influence with respect to the Sun and that with respect to the Ascendant both agree, the meaning will be of course intensified. At the birth of George Eliot (November 22nd, 1819, 5 a.m., Nuneaton), the ☉ was at 29 ♍ 6, and the ☾ at 28 ♎ 11. This is a third house influence, and the ☾ is also in the third; the third house therefore becomes much more prominent than it otherwise would be, and seems to have operated principally in the direction of writings.

At the birth of Mrs. Annie Besant (see p. 193, Vol. IV.), the ☾ was in dexter square to the ☉, a tenth house influence, and was in the fourth house in conjunction with Jupiter, lord of the ninth. Hence celebrity through literature and religion. That the celebrity would not be wholly of a pleasant nature is shown by the afflictions of the ☾. Its presence in the fourth house introduces the idea of occultism and psychism, for these things pertain partly to the fourth.

At the birth of the Prince of Wales, the ☾ was in a dexter semi-square to the Sun, corresponding to the middle of the eleventh house—trouble through friends; the ☾ is in ♏, therefore it comes from those beneath him in station (for ♏ is the sign of the servant, or subordinate), and, being on the cusp of the ninth house, it is involved in sporting or travelling (it might have been religion or study had the figure indicated these).

At the birth of the Duke of Edinburgh (Coburg), the ☉ was at 14 ♏, and the ☾ at 16 ♏, indicating rulership; and, as we know, the Duke is the first of the Queen's sons to reach a throne. From the position of the ☾, it is also fortunate for money and the cultivation of the mind.

At Shelley's birth, the ☉ was at 13 ♏, and the ☾ at 13 ♏, an eighth house influence, and the ☾ in a watery sign. He died early by drowning. At his death the ☉ was at 16 ♏, and the ☾ at 6 ♏, corresponding to the upper part of the eighth house, approaching the ninth.

At Lord Byron's death, the ☉ was at 30 ♈, and the ☾ at 13 ♏, corresponding to the middle of the ninth house—literary eminence, also travelling and riding. The ☾ is in the cold sign ♏ and the third house—short journeys. He died of rheumatic fever incurred by getting wet through when riding.

It will be seen from these few illustrations, I think, that the theory of the Moon's relation to the Sun by position is worth investigating. Its position with regard to the Sun is different to that which it possesses by its relation to the Ascendant, and is always worth taking into account, whether it is in any technical aspect to the Sun or not.

I am doubtful whether this arrangement of dexter and sinister aspects can be applied with any advantage to interplanetary aspects; I have not investigated it sufficiently to be able to decide. But it is quite certain that it is applicable to aspects (1) from the Sun to the Moon and planets, and (2) from the Moon to the planets. For instance, the square of the ☉ in ♐ to ♃ in ♋ last June was a dexter square and of the nature of the midheaven. It therefore indicated martial danger to people signified by the midheaven. It coincided with the assassination of President Carnot, and the attempted murder of more than one other prominent person. The previous occasion on which this aspect fell out was in March, 1892, when the ☉ was in ♈ and ♃ in ♏. There was then no assassination of eminent men, perhaps because ☉ was in conjunction with ♄; but at that time the Deeming murders came to light and caused intense excitement.

Early in February, 1894, when the ☉ was in ♊ and ♀ in ♍, another tenth house influence, the Houses of Lords and Commons were at loggerheads over the Employers' Liability Bill and the Parish Councils Bill.

On the 29th July, 1893, the ☉ was at 7° ♏ and ♀ at 7° ♎, forming the sinister square aspect, corresponding to the fourth house. On the previous day, 300,000 coal miners went out on strike, their occupation coming under the rule of the fourth house. When the ☾ was in sinister sextile to the ☉ in November, Mr. Gladstone wrote a letter (third house), suggesting arbitration, and this was successful in ending the strike. The ☾ was then passing through ♏, Mr. Gladstone's Ascendant.

Degrees of the Zodiac Symbolized.

(Continued from page 86.)

LEO.

TWENTY-FIRST DEGREE.—A human face surmounted by a coiled serpent ; a raised hand also appears.

It indicates not only a powerful and commanding nature, but a keen understanding of the laws of life ; much introspection and knowledge of human nature ; strong sympathies ; much discretion ; careful balance of power and effort ; intuition and foresight, as well as diplomacy of no mean order. The native will have strong powers of concentration, good memory, and will be successful in commanding others, through his insight into character. It is a degree of *Penetration*.

22nd degree.—A nest of young birds, over which a hawk is seen hovering.

It denotes that the native is his own enemy, and that he will suffer through want of care in his actions. Apart from this, which arises from a certain native innocence, he will be in danger of injuries in his own house and through his own kindred. The life is fraught with dangers of an incendiary character, and he should avoid risks of personal injury as much as possible. In business or profession he will be supplanted. It is a degree of *Injury*.

23rd degree.—A bright, pale-blue star, shining over a clear lake.

It indicates one of a quick, refined, and well-trained intelligence, who will gain distinction by his mental powers. The nature is peaceful, harmonious, and beneficent. The mind is highly intuitive, and capable of lofty and sustained flights. Withal there is a good knowledge of character and a quiet but potent reserve of diplomatic power. The native will shine like a star in his sphere of life, and will have many followers. It is a degree of *Intelligence*.

24th degree.—A man felling a tree.

It indicates a person capable of enduring long and hard work. A humble and unambitious mind, of large sympathies, and warm feelings ; much attached to rustic things and to the wild habits of the woodland

life. One who sees good and finds contentment in the rudest work, so long as it be manly and productive of current necessities. It denotes a person of an ingenious and rugged mind, harsh manners, but soft heart. A good friend. It is a degree of *Simplicity*.

25th degree.—A reversed triangle upon a red ground.

It denotes a person of a very passionate and emotional nature, who will suffer through the allurements of the other sex, and at some time in his life will be liable to suffocation or drowning. The native will certainly be in danger through the watery element. The fortunes will be in danger of reversal, and that through the passional nature of the native. The nature is incapable of any steady effort, and is, in short, as soft and unstable as water. It is a degree of *Instability*.

26th degree.—A thick wood at the back of a field, in which is a man ploughing with the ox.

It indicates a person of laborious habits, very much attached to the country life, and a close student of nature. The mind is retiring and modest, very intelligent, and gifted with patience and firmness, capable of sustaining close researches or yet heavy labours of a purely physical kind. The native will be fortunate, but never very rich or very prominent. It is a degree of *Steadfastness*.

27th degree.—A dagger.

This is an ominous sign! It may mean danger to the native at the hands of an enemy, or, yet more unhappily, it may mean the reverse of this. The native will certainly be of a quarrelsome, argumentative nature; given over to impulsive actions. A restless and destructive mind, always on the alert to attack, to oppose, to argue. Very executive, but by no means constructive in disposition, and hence liable to go through life like a tornado, remarked but not esteemed. It is a degree of *Destroying*.

28th degree.—Two hands linked in a close grip of friendship.

It denotes a person of a very amiable and sociable nature, filled with concord and goodwill towards his fellows. A rich, unselfish nature, capable of those little greatnesses in daily life which make a man beloved, if not remarkable. It is probable that the native will be instrumental in forming some large associations for social co-operation, or intellectual improvement. The native is essentially constructive, harmonising, and humane. It is a degree of *Sustaining*.

29th degree.—Two golden circles joined by a blue ribbon tied in a double bow.

It denotes a personal, kind, benevolent nature, who will be fortunate in marriage, and may marry twice. The native is a lover of peace and concord; an idealist; embodying two lives in one; a researcher in celestial things. He will make many and sincere friends. His life will be useful, lovable, and sincere. He will attain his ambitions and will end his days in peace. It is a degree of *Union*.

30th degree.—A dog in poor condition stands whining and cringing.

It indicates a person of a narrow, servile disposition, giving to complaining and lamenting, instead of acting and achieving. A nature self-centred and morose, of no great comfort to its owner or of use to others. It is a degree of *Indigence*.

Notes on Planetary Cycles.

(Continued from page 91).

NOW, as there are about twenty years between each Conjunction (roughly), and three signs in the Trigon, the Conjunction will take 60 years to pass through the Δ represented by ♄, ♀, ♃; and, further, as it completes $3\frac{1}{3}$ Trigons before passing out of the element, it takes $60 \times 3\frac{1}{3} = 200$ years to entirely progress through it; after which it passes to the next Elemental Trigon.

The following is the order of the signs in each Trigon, and of the Trigons in succession, with the period of the stay of the Conjunction in each.

♄ ♀ ♃	$3\frac{1}{3}$ times	= 199 years
♁ ♋ ♌	do.	= 198 "
♊ ♍ ♎	do.	= 198 "
♈ ♏ ♐	do.	= 199 "

Passage of ♄ through zodiac = 794 "

Hence, it follows that in 794 years we have a period wherein, roughly, the affairs of the world are controlled by the same influences, astrologically considered; as if the Conjunction of ♋ and ♏ should fall in ♁ for the first time in a series throughout the Earthly Trigon, it will be 794 years before the same recurs. Thus, in 1603, the

Conjunction entered the fiery Trigon and fell in ♄, wherein it proved inimical to the interests of the Jacobins; and so 749 years later, viz., in A.D. 2352, the position will be repeated. Yet in the period of 199 years following A.D. 1603, there would be three more conjunctions in ♄, but these would not fall in the same longitude, but in successively increasing degrees of the sign.

In 1881 there was a Conjunction of ♃ and ♅ in ♈, the second of a series in the Earthly Trigon, which lasts 198 years. The phenomenon of 1881 corresponds to the Conjunction of the year 1087. The Conjunction entered the Earthly Trigon ♈, ♈, ♈ in 1802, and will continue therein till the year 2000 A.D., when it will pass to the Airy Trigon, beginning with Gemini.

Between the years 1802 and 2000 A.D., immense seismic movements and geological changes will occur. The laws ruling the tenure of land will undergo great changes; the world will be filled with greed for terrestrial possessions; there will be great famines and widespread plagues. England will decline as a power. Turkey, Ireland, Egypt, and India will be the theatre of the world's strife. From 1881 to 1901 Ireland, and parts ruled by ♈, will be the scenes of great mutations. Then the Conjunction will pass its influence to India and Egypt for 20 years, and will thereafter settle upon Palestine and Turkey, not overlooking such cities as Paris, &c., which are ruled by ♈.

More particularly will Southern Asia represent the effects of this Conjunction in the Earthly Trigon, for that part of the world is ruled by the earthly triplicity.

Only after 1901 will the great Russian question be settled by the conversion of Afghanistan as an ally. Dublin will be established as a centre of Government before then. England has much to fear from the Conjunction in ♈ during the first 20 years of the next century—from 1901 to 1921 A.D.

In the year 2000 A.D., a more humane and exalted period will set in upon the world; communication with some of the long-lost treasures of the ancient world will be effected. The old order will return.

But the more lasting cycles of the planets are those that take the longest to form the change from one sign to another. Among the more important of these may be mentioned the Cycle of the Aphelia of the Planets, which pass from one sign to another in a period varying from 1562 to 2278 years. The positions of the Aphelia of the

different planets in the year 1844 were as follows :—

♄ in ♈ 15° 3' 8"

♀ in ♍ 9° 16' 51"

♁ in ♊ 10° 14' 23"

♂ in ♎ 3° 11' 18"

♃ in ♈ 11° 49' 20"

♅ in ♈ 29° 56' 48"

♁ in ♈ 18° 6' 38"

The periods required by the several planets to complete the transit of their nodes through a sign of the Zodiac are :—

♄ 1967·8 years

♀ 2278·5 „

♁ 1748·6 „

♂ 1638·8 „

♃ 1891·4 „

♅ 1562·9 „

♁ 2057·1 „

Total 13,145·1 years $\div 7 = 1877\cdot87$, &c., the mean stay of the Aphelion in one sign.

From these data it will be seen that our Earth now labors slowly through the earthly and malefic sign ♊, where it is given up to strife for temporal power, to selfishness, deceitfulness, and the like Saturnine qualities. It is, in short, in the depth of Nature's winter, in the abyss of Gaza. It has completed a little more than one-third of its period of 1748·6 years, and has therefore to pass through a little over 1000 years before it gains the airy region of the sign Aquarius. Saturn will continue to hold supreme sway in its own sign ♊ till the year 3410 A.D. It passed into that sign in the year 1847, for, in an astrological sense, a planet may always be considered as occupying that place where its influence is concentrated. Thus we look forward through a vista of years and dimly behold the workings of that Great Magician, Nature, as if they were but shadows thrown upon a screen, the lifting of which screen occupies our whole interest and attention.

“SEPHARIAL.”

We predicted railway accidents for October. One occurred near Northallerton on October the 4th, in which several people were injured. On that day, the Moon was passing through the third house (governing railways) of the previous lunation, and was in opposition to Neptune.

Alan's Page.

THE RESPONSIBILITY OF AN ASTROLOGER.

I wonder how many students there are, who are impressed with the importance of the great responsibility that rests upon them when giving their judgments. The Astrologer has a peculiar power and influence which he should be careful to use in the right direction only, feeling that, with all advice given, he has become a strong factor himself for good or ill.

WHAT AN ASTROLOGER SHOULD KNOW!

Judging by the letters that reach this office asking for advice, the modern astrologer should have a thorough knowledge of medicine, a good idea of law, botany, and herbal knowledge, physiology, judicial ability, magnetism, and electricity, but more than all a thorough knowledge of human nature, its needs and requirements.

SYMPATHY OF TWINS.

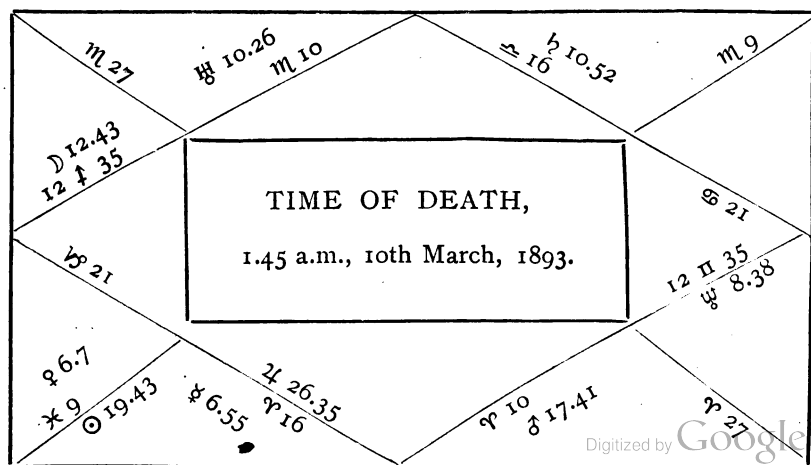
This is peculiar! Mr. J. L. James, Congregational minister, of March, Cambs., vouches for the following story sent to the *Daily News*:—"I have twin daughters, now twelve years old. While at dinner on the 17th instant, one of them jumped up and said that a dog bit her leg just above the ankle. We all laughed, knowing that there was no dog in the room nor in the house, as we keep none. An hour afterwards her sister, the other twin, went out, and a neighbour's dog bit her exactly where the other complained of being bitten whilst at dinner. That seems strange to me, and what is equally strange is, that both the twins had pains alike after the dog bit one of them, and the one that was not bit would cry out in her sleep that a dog had bitten her. The one felt what the other suffered from, and as the one gets better the other's pain lessens."

WHAT IS THE FUTURE OF WOMAN?

A lady correspondent sends me the following:—The woman of the future will be far less a child-bearer than an intelligent co-operator with man in the common work and occupations of humanity. Passional love will inevitably in time be exchanged for the fraternal, and woman with her developed intuition will perceive the potent finer forces of nature concealed from the eyes of the present race, which she is unable to do to its fullest extent at present.

Death Figures.

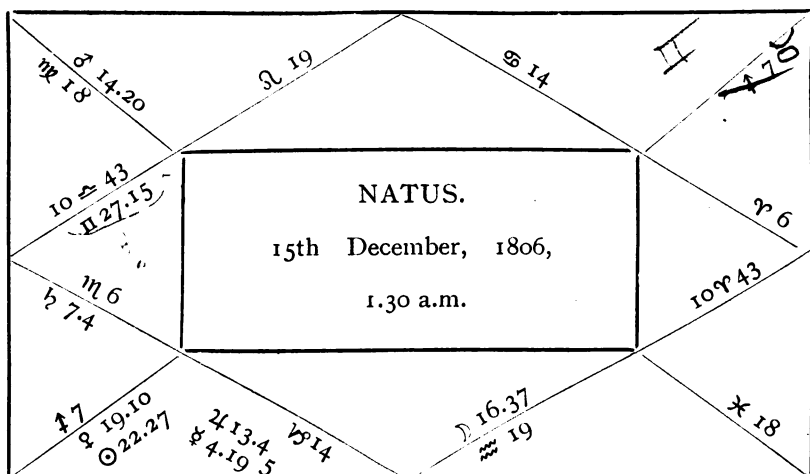
I DO not see death figures are much use unless we have the time of birth. In the following instance, the hour is strictly correct. This native was for many years the head-master of ——— College, a first-class Hebrew, Greek, and Latin scholar; also a splendid mathematician. He would quote passage after passage of the above languages without hesitation or slip. Though at one time a minister of the Established Church, his views were most Evangelical; he would give the right hand of fellowship to a believer in Christ of whatever denomination, in fact, he was almost a Nonconformist. He was a great friend of the late Dr. Samuel Waddy, Earl of Shaftesbury, and Lord Mount Temple, and many other persons of influence. His wide range of thought can be accounted for by Herschel in the first house, which also gave him a love for occult sciences, especially Astrology; and the writer looks back with intense pleasure to the many happy days spent in his company. The position of Mars rendered him a little dogmatic at times, though the close trine of Jupiter caused him always to study the feelings of those persons who might differ from him, and it was impossible to converse with him without feeling refreshed and stimulated intellectually and spiritually. At one period of his life he devoted a lot of time to ragged school work, endeavouring to benefit the submerged tenth. He retained every faculty of mind and body to the last of his long life. He was stricken down five days before his death when Sun was in opposition to Mars, the most potent planet at birth. The same day, Saturn afflicted his Moon and Ascendant, and Mars hastening to the square of the Moon's place.



DECLINATIONS.

☉	4° S.	3'	♂	17° N.	54'
☽	25° S.	43'	♂	9° N.	17'
♂	3° N.	47'	♂	1° S.	52'
♀	10° S.	30'	♂	14° S.	31'

At the moment of death, we find Mars in the house of death, in natal figure, in close square to Moon; the Sun in the sixth natal, in close square to Venus, lady of his Ascendant, only 33 minutes distant. Venus was near Par. Dec. of Moon. Saturn, Herschel, and the Moon had just passed Par. Dec. of Jupiter, Mercury, and Sun.



DECLINATIONS.

☉	23° S.	15'	♂	♀
☽	11° S.	4'	♂	♀, ☉
♂	23° S.	10'	♂	♀
♀	22° S.	57'	♂	♀
♂	8° N.	30'	♂	♀
♂	22° S.	53'	♂	♀
♂	11° S.	42'	♂	♀
♂	10° S.	42'	♂	♀

His birth was at 1.30 a.m., and death at 1.45 a.m., within 15' of the time of birth, the Moon, a most potent significator, rapidly hastening to the square of Mars. If students mark the transits in red ink on natal map, they will see clearly the influences operating.

EDWIN CASAE.

Personal Descriptions.

(Continued from page 61.)

By "APHOREL."

WE will now take "Sepharial's" horoscope, which will be found on page 62 of Vol. IV. of this magazine. We find the Ascendant is $24^{\circ} 32'$ of Sagittarius, the Sun in $29^{\circ} 43'$ of Pisces in the third house, and the Moon in $22^{\circ} 43'$ of Leo in the eighth house, Jupiter, lord of the Ascendant, being in Scorpio in the eleventh.

The following is quoted from Wilson's and "Raphael's" *Key* :—

"The native is well formed, rather above the middle stature, ruddy complexion, handsome countenance, oval face, fine clear eyes, chestnut colored hair, but apt to be bald."—*Wilson*.

"Well formed, handsome person, rather tall, high forehead, long nose, clear hazel eyes, ruddy complexion, free and open countenance, hair chestnut or light brown, face rather long."—*Raphael*.

"Sun in Pisces.—Rather small stature, round face, pale sickly complexion, light brown hair."—*Raphael*.

"Raphael's" description of ☉ in ♈ is somewhat similar. I mention this as the Sun is on the threshold of Aries.

"Moon in Leo.—Tall stature, well made, large bones, sanguine complexion, brown hair."—*Raphael*.

"Jupiter in Scorpio.—Middle stature, compact body, dark hair, fleshy face, dull complexion."—*Raphael*.

The descriptions given by Wilson for the positions of the Sun, Moon, and Jupiter are very similar to those given by "Raphael," therefore I do not give them.

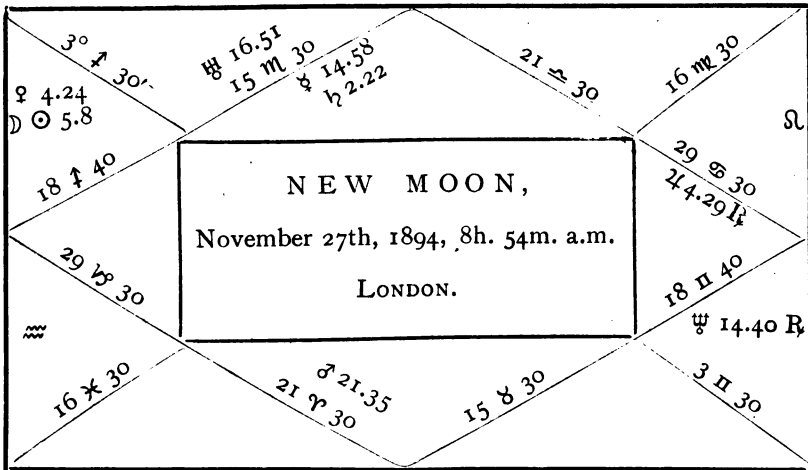
If my readers will now refer to page 62 in the last volume (IV.), and compare the positions, &c., with the photograph, they will find hardly any points of agreement between the descriptions quoted and the likeness of "Sepharial." The subject of this chapter must often have smiled when comparing his personality with authors' rule, as I have often done and often do. The photo in the horoscope is very good. He has a *very pale* complexion, dark hazel eyes, and this I find, and have found, repeatedly when meeting with people whose horoscopes I have born under the sign of the "horseman," and in fifteen cases out of sixteen, the eyes have either been hazel or dark chestnut, but

I find *all* Sagittarians have brilliant eyes, and, as a rule, not large. I here anticipate that my captious critic, A. J. Pearce, will be inclined to mention the Prince of Wales in this connection. I therefore place the fact on record that I have not forgotten the horoscope of Albert Edward. "Sepharial" has a thick crop of dark, curly, unruly hair. Therefore the remark quoted, "apt to be bald," is amusing when applied to his description. He is tall and thin, and this I have also frequently noted as characteristic of persons born under this Ascendant.

The "ruddy complexion" attributed by authors to persons born under this Ascendant is not in accord with my experience. All those I have met are more or less pale, but they are active, intrepid, and wiry. I am inclined to think that because Sagittarius is one of the signs of the fiery triplicity authors have *imagined* that fire (or color) should be seen in the face, but, if so, should not *all* people born under this triplicity have hair of a yellow, golden, or reddish (auburn) hue? As will be seen, there are so many modifying factors that have to be considered in astrological deductions that it is not safe to judge by any one testimony, however strong, for, if the student does so, he must not be surprised if his surmises or predictions are faulty. It will thus be seen that if the various descriptions given above are combined, they do not in any way correctly describe my friend "Sepharial," no matter how one may try by stretching points here and there to make it fit his case. I am not certain, but I am inclined to think that the late jockey, Fred. Archer, was born under this sign, and he was a wiry man, which, perhaps, many will say, was due to his training, but I contend that if a man has fleshy tendencies, no training or diet will make *much* difference, although I grant that in some cases it does a little. Of course there are two types of the Sagittarian, as the dual nature of the sign shown in the symbol (the Centaur) evidences, but whether that affects the personal description must be a matter for future argument.

The New Moon of October 28th was unfortunate for the greater part of Europe on account of the sixth house being heavily afflicted. From the affliction of the luminaries, we predicted sickness and probable death to royalty, which was fulfilled in the Czar's death. In Germany, there occurred the resignation of the Chancellor Caprivi and of the Prussian Prime Minister, which again exemplified the incidence of the trouble upon those in authority.

Mundane Astrology.



AT the New Moon on the 27th November, the planets are posited as in the foregoing scheme. The lunation being formed in the twelfth house in a fiery sign, and afflicted by Mars (a fiery planet) in a fiery sign, is of evil import to affairs that come under the rule of the twelfth house, viz., hospitals, prisons, workhouses, &c.

There will be much crime amongst women, and great distress. There will be sickness, and probably death, amongst the dignitaries of the land, and the general health will not be good. There will be much excitement in parliamentary circles, and the conjunction of Mercury and Uranus in Scorpio tends to many undesirable matters and methods in Parliamentary procedure.

The position of Saturn is ominous, and some high dignitary or official will be debased.

The "secret service" (denoted by the lord of the seventh in conjunction with Uranus) will be active during the month, but will not meet with much success, as Jupiter is retrograde and in sesquiquadrate to both these planets. There will be some alarming fires during the month.

Notwithstanding, Mars is strong in the fourth house. He is afflicted by the luminaries, and we shall receive little benefit from him notwithstanding his essential and accidental dignity.

Finance is still under a cloud, and some notable failures will be published this month.

Delineations for the Solar Month.

(Commencing November 22nd, ending December 21st.)

[EXTRACT FROM "SOLAR BIOLOGY."]

SAGITTARIUS.

THIS belongs to that part of the body represented by the thighs, which relates to the muscular and motor nerve systems. The leading characteristic of this nature is the executive.

Those belonging to Sagittarius are bold, zealous, determined, and combative. Very quick to decide, act, and speak. Their mind is constantly running ahead. Going beyond the present, they have a tendency to peer into the future and foresee events. They hate anything hidden and secret, and even secret organisations. They go to extremes in everything they do, being over-zealous and sanguine in what they undertake.

As a friend, they are such with all their being; and as enemies they also go to extremes; their kind heart and loving, sympathetic nature, however, restrains them from acts of violence and evil deeds. They are high-tempered and impulsive, and do things on impulse. They have great power over their sex nature, and have a natural inclination to chastity, and from this, as a prime cause, they have great physical power. They are physically the strongest persons of the whole twelve signs. Loving science, hygiene, and self-culture. The diseases to which they are most liable are: sciatica, rheumatic pains, weakness of the chest and lungs, with a tendency to consumption.

Some of the finest musicians come from this sign. They are faithful in their love relations, and if they fail to get the object of their choice, it usually embitters their entire future in life. They are domestic in their tendencies, sympathetic, devoted, and loving. They do not take opposition kindly except a good reason can be given. This nature has a great deal of devotion to home, family, and religion. If those born in this sign retire from business and cease their efforts, they become morbid, exacting, unsocial, discontented, and disposed to find fault without good cause.

The eclipse of October, which fell in Libra, the ruling sign of Japan, was followed, as eclipses usually are, by earthquakes, and these were felt in Japan

The Houses and Exaltations of the Planets.

By "JASKEB."

IT is a fact, as stated by "Raphael" and "Leo" in the *A. M.* for July, 1894, that by Ptolemy's System, ♄ is exalted in ♈ in \square to ♊ , his own house, and ♃ exalted in ♋ in \square to ♌ , the house of ♃ . And what of that? This is unavoidable when each planet, excepting the Lights, has two houses; and also an exaltation, according to Ptolemy. It is also an undeniable fact, nevertheless, that every planet in the aforesaid system has his exaltation, either in Δ or \times to one or other of his houses, excepting ♃ , who, being "The God of Wisdom," (to quote "Raphael's" words), has "no doubt ways and motions peculiar to himself," for he alone is exalted in *Virgo*, his own house and sign, in \square to his other house ♋ ; whilst the \odot and ♁ , and all the other planets, be it noted, have their exaltation in another planet's house and sign.

The greater luminary, the \odot , and also the superior planets ♄ and ♅ , of a slow and ponderous motion, have their exaltation in Δ to their house, \odot in ♌ in Δ to ♍ ; ♄ exaltation of ♄ in Δ to ♊ , his day house; and ♅ exaltation of ♅ in Δ to ♋ , his night house; whilst ♃ , although a superior, but nevertheless a far smaller and more swiftly moving planet than either ♄ or ♅ , also the lesser luminary the ♁ , and likewise the inferior planet ♂ , have all three of them their exaltations, not in Δ , but in \times to one of their houses. ♋ exaltation of ♃ in \times to ♌ , his night house; ♁ exalted in \times in \times her only house ♋ ; and ♂ exalted in \times in \times her night house ♋ .

Mercury alone plays the truant, and breaks this rule by Ptolemy's System, for, being an inferior planet, and obeying the same rule of trine for the larger, or slow moving planets, and \times for the smaller and more swiftly moving orbs, he, Mercury, "God of Wisdom," ought to be exalted, either in ♌ or ♍ , so as to be in \times to ♋ , his own house, or in ♋ or ♌ in \times to ♍ , his other house; if this Δ and \times theory be the true foundation of the exaltations. ♌ and ♋ are already the exaltations of \odot and ♄ ; and ♌ the exaltation of ♅ , as shown hereafter; so if the \times theory be correct for the smaller and more swiftly moving planets, then the remaining sign ♍ should be the exaltation of ♃ , as ♍ is in \times to ♋ , the house of ♃ .

But if we take the Δ theory for ♃ the same as for the large and slowly moving planets (which would be of course an exception to the general

rule for the *smaller and swifter planets* like ♀, ☿ and ☽), then ☿ ought to have his exaltation in ♊, as *already* believed to be his exaltation by some modern astrologers; as ♊ is in Δ to ♐, house of ☿, and *no other planets* exalted therein.

Some astrologers indeed consider the *benefics* get their exaltation from the Δ, but the *malefics* from the □, so they exalt ☿ in ♐ in □ to ♊ his house, but with the *exception* of the "*sapient one*, ☿," who for some curious reason has his exaltation in *his own sign and house*, by Ptolemy's system, *every other planet and luminary is exalted in Δ* or ✕ to one of their houses, as already demonstrated. Following the *same excellent "apple-pie rule"* of the prince of astrologers (Claudius Ptolemy), we find that ☿, a superior planet, must of necessity be *exalted only in Gemini*, and *not in Scorpio*, so that he, ☿ (the God of that "*peculiar sort of wisdom*, which has only to do with the heavenly bodies and their order," quoting the words of Josephus, the Jewish historian) *should*, like *all the other large or slowly moving planets*, be in Δ to his own house ♊ from his "*exaltation*" ♐. Neptune for the same reason is in *exaltation in Scorpio*, in Δ to ✕, *his one and only house*.

It is not because ☿ is a spiritual ♀, nor ☿ a spiritual ♀, that ☿ is suitably exalted in ♐, as "Leo" imagines, and ☿ in ♐; but because ☿ is in Δ to his *only house* ♊ from ♐, and ♐ is the *exaltation of no other planet*. The signs ☿, ♊, and ✕ are *already* the *exaltations of* ☽, ♀, and ♀, so if ☿ were placed in *exaltation in any of them*, as "Leo" suggests, *he would displace* ☽, ♀, or ♀ from their *long-established exaltations*.

Neptune's influence may be compared to a great tempest, with rain, lightning, and thunder, which, indeed, *does much damage at the time of the storm*, but results in good, by clearing the air of foul gases, followed by a light and sunny air, and an increased supply of ozone. Therefore, ☿ is *really a malefic*, like ♂, ♀, and ☿ combined, mostly operating, like ♂ and ☿, on men and nations, but with a *spice of ♀ therein*, nevertheless. Hence ♐, the house of ♂, is in every way fit for his *exaltation*, being in ✕ to ♐, the house of ☿, and Δ to ♀ exalted in ✕, the *only house of ☿*, the very three planets, which, according to our experience and observation, the God Neptune mostly resembles in nature.

"Raphael's" objection to ☿ being prematurely accommodated in ✕ and ♐ for house and exaltation, equally applies to his own tables of ☿ in the 12 signs, which I believe were originated by the author of "*Astrology as it is, and not as it is Represented.*"

The houses and exaltations are evidently framed according to some rigid scientific rule, mostly known from observation, but possibly discovered, also from intuition and inductive reasoning, as 84 years had *not elapsed* (when the *tables* of ♄ were compiled by the *cavalry officer*, in his work, "Astrology as it is, and not as it is Represented") since the discovery of the mystic planet.

At the bottom of page 312, "Wilson's Dictionary of Astrology," we read "*Passive Stars, the ☉ and ♃*," so "Raphael's" facetious remarks thereon are *certainly premature*.

That the rate of motion has a good deal to do with the influence of planets may be inferred from the quotation from Ptolemy, at page 265 A. M., for July, 1894—"The *ingresses of ♃* made on the places of *general periods*, and ♃ on the *annular periods*; whilst (note the fact) ♄ (a *superior*), and the mighty ☉ are classed along with the small and swiftly moving *inferior planets ♀ and ☿*; all those four, as only influencing the *monthly periods*, and the transits of the Moon over the *diurnal periods*."

Again Ptolemy writes, "The *planets have portentous effects when stationary*." Why? When Stationary? Unless it depends on the *apparent slowness of their motion then*, as viewed from the earth.

Cauda Leonis is a misprint simply for Cauda Draconis.

If there is *any truth* in "*essential dignities*," there is quite as much in "*mutual reception*," by house and exaltation only, be it noted.

True ☿, afflicted by ♄, oftentimes causes troubles and loss through writings on Occult Science, as well as through letters and papers, and sarcastic criticism from ♄' men; and sometimes damage through the Press, or by bonds, deeds, lawsuits, &c., &c. Still there *are exceptions*, as so much depends on *each nativity*; and Zadkiel I., although he had ☿ ☿ ♄ at birth, had on the whole great success with his almanac, especially in 1861 and 1862, and 1857 and 1858. So younger students with an afflicted ☿ and ♄ need *not* despair. Again "Raphael I." had ♃ ☿ ♄, from ♄ and ♄, and *he was certainly a "rara avis" in celestial philosophy*.

There is not much of importance for an English astrologer to write over the Tsar's death, except to chronicle the bare fact. He died at Lividia on November 1st, at 2.15 p.m., of contracted granular kidney. The sign Libra rules the kidneys, and his illness took its severe turn when the two malefics, Saturn and Mars—the latter retrograde—were in opposition from Libra and Aries. He was born on 10th March (N.S.), 1845, at 3.15 p.m., ♃, 26° rising.

The Students' Corner.

By "RAPHAEL."

ONE of your readers asks about birthday figures, and what books are published relating to these. The best book I know concerning these is Simmonite's *Prognostications*. The price, I think, is 2s. 6d.

He also enquires how I obtain the "Birthday Information" which appears yearly in my *Messenger*. I gather this chiefly from the aspects and positions of the planets on each day, coupled with experience, the latter being the most important factor in the deductions.

Respecting the positions of the Sun and Moon nineteen years after birth, the Sun, of course, at every birthday occupies the same position, and the Moon also every nineteen years will occupy the same sign with a slight acceleration or retardation in the degrees of longitude. There is nothing unusual in this, but it often follows that when the luminaries are afflicted at birth, the 19th year will be generally unfortunate. This is frequently the case with females who have the lights afflicted at birth, a great many getting into trouble at that age.

As I have often expressed myself before, I have but little faith in directions, whether they are pre-natal or post-natal, simply because I cannot conceive how an aspect formed shortly before or after birth, can affect anyone forty or fifty years afterwards. Everything work in *Cycles*. We have periods of prosperity and adversity, of sickness and health, &c., &c., as signified by the nativity, but the time when these different Cycles are due baffles us, but my opinion is, that all the Cycles in connection with a person's life are born with the nativity, and set in motion the daily positions of the planets. Every person born has certain qualities in him, which were generated by the conditions of the heavens at his birth. Now when the planets by their daily motions generate a quality or influence different or opposite to that at birth, and at the same time more powerful, then the native must suffer in health or fortune.

The Real Basis of Astrology.

[EXTRACT FROM "THE PATH."]

(Continued from page 62.)

PLANETS VARIOUSLY DEVELOPED.

LET us take as a starting-point, therefore, the well-known seven principles of Man. These may doubtless be applied to each of the planets. At first sight, this may seem perplexing and difficult to prove, at least in its entirety. Where, it may be asked, is the Atma or the Astral body of Saturn, for instance? This is a question that would be very hard to answer without a key. Fortunately, that key is at hand. It is as follows: that while all of the seven principles are inherent in each planet, they may and probably do have different degrees of development. We know that in the stone, and the plant, and the animal these seven principles exist, though partly latent. In the animal kingdom, for instance, only the four lower principles have as yet found expression, the others remaining in abeyance or undeveloped. So, with the planets, it may be that only a partial development has as yet been attained in some, while others have reached a higher stage. This supposition is doubtless hypothetical, and of course cannot be proven by any appeal to the five senses; yet analogically it is extremely reasonable and more than probable. If it is so, and if the seven planets possess higher attributes distributed among them in varying degrees, then we can begin to understand, or, at any rate, obtain an inkling of, the real basis of Astrology.

ORIGIN OF THE ZODIAC.

Reference has been made to the Sun as the parent of his satellites. This is explained by the Nebular Hypothesis. It has been shown by Madame Blavatsky in the *Secret Doctrine* (Vol. I., page 588) that the Nebular Hypothesis is a theory which only partially accounts for the formation of suns and planets generally. In reality, it only throws back the inquiry as to the origin of the Cosmos one step, leaving still unexplained the origin of matter, out of which nebulae were evolved. However, accepting the Hypothesis in its material aspect as probably true, we see how, in accordance with its provisions, the Sun, in turning upon its axis, and at the same time moving forward in space, threw off or left behind at different epochs masses of nebulous matter which

themselves revolved in the same direction around the Sun and gradually hardened into worlds. As these planets were stripped off from the Sun's equator, they must necessarily have passed off in the same direction into space, and consequently they have ever since moved upon the same plane, although at varying distances from the central nebula.

(To be continued.)

Notes on Recent Events.

At the September luration, the affliction of Mars in the eighth house coincided with the death of several celebrated people. On October 9th, Earl Grey died at the age of ninety-two, once a well-known politician. On the 10th, Mr. Patrick Henderson, British Consul for Cadiz, shot himself in London at the Foreign Office. On the 11th, Professor Nichol, of Glasgow University died. On the 20th, Mr. J. A. Froude, the eminent historian, died. The well-known American poet and essayist, Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes, died of failure of the heart at Boston on the 8th of October, at 1.30 p.m. He was born on the 29th of August, 1809. The directions for his death are ☉ P. 6 ♀ ♀, ☽ P. 8 ☉. P. and ♀.

CORRIGENDA.

Page 78, line 22, for *sixth* house read *fifth*.

Page 78, line 8 from bottom, omit full stop after *scheme* and insert semi-colon in next line after *paper*.

Page 88, line 15, omit *been*.

Page 94, line 7 from bottom, for *alarmists* read *alarmist rumours*.

Letters to the Editor.

Letters of general interest alone are inserted. Correspondents desiring reply must please enclose a stamped addressed envelope.

All correspondents should give full name and address, not necessarily for publication, but as a token of good faith.

N.B.—Writers of signed articles are alone responsible for the opinions therein contained.

DEAR SIR,—I noted position of Neptune in your figure for New Moon (29th September) in *ninth*, and on reading in daily papers of the present religious controversy of the London School Board, I could not separate my instantaneous impressions when noting the figure, that Neptune's position there would produce much controversy re religious matters and, probably, *schools*, for these are, to me, ruled more by the ninth than by the fifth, as some

maintain. The ruler of that house (Mercury), conjoined with Saturn, will doubtless increase the dissatisfaction, and when it is noted that Mercury rules also the *twelfth* (workhouses, large buildings, etc.), I think it is *significant* that some scandal connected with a large workhouse school was recorded in daily *Star*, and this, too, when Moon had progressed to third in opposition to Mercury in ninth! Are these mere *coincidences*? The influence of Neptune (if any) is at present almost unknown, but students who are *interested* to discover any, *watch* his position and aspects. I might mention that the scandal at school was the report of *Chaplain* (♄ in ninth?) against bathing arrangements; it might be noted too, Moon, lady of 10th (a *watery* sign), hastens to ♄ of ♄, and then the climax happens. Venus, part ruler of ninth, is posited in *twelfth*, just separating from parallel of ♄.

I was asked my opinion as to the prospect of a warm, dry, beautiful summer. My impressions were that, although ♄ was lord of 4th, and posited in M.C., he was *detrimental* in ♀ and conjoined with ♄! the malefic! I expressed the opinion our summer would not be as dry and bright as we hoped, but whether it has resulted from these positions I cannot positively say, I can only conjecture; it might just be remarked also that at the lunation of 4th June the luminaries were in conjunction in *fourth* house with Neptune and Jupiter! and if *this* house rules the *weather*!

I apologise for occupying your time (and space, if you will allow me), but wondered if others had noted position and aspects of ♄!

It might also be remembered the government has not been so strong and popular as might be desired, her Majesty has also been indisposed, might this partly result from ♄ on M.C.?

I remain, Sir, yours, etc.,

ATHOS.

DEAR SIR,—May I venture to remind you that very many of your readers are amateurs and not astrological experts, and that sometimes a little more explanation would greatly enhance the value of the articles. The articles in the current number by "Leo" illustrate this. His remarks about ♄ in ♀, and ♄ in ♄ are very interesting and would be very instructive if he had explained how he deduced them. For instance, Governments will be unstable. How is this arrived at?

Another point which we amateurs should like thrashed out, is the hyleg and the hylegiacal places. Whether "Raphael's" conclusion is right or not, I cannot say, but the reasoning does not appear conclusive to warrant us in departing from the old tradition.

It is, I suppose, inevitable that your contributors should have varied opinions, but it would clear our minds if some of the following contradictions were got rid of:—

1. Page 94. Lunar eclipse of September 15th said to operate same day. As I understand Sepharial's rule, given two years since, it does not come into operation for some time yet.

2. Again. One writer in *A. M.* says that an eclipse is always malefic, whilst another (page 262, Vol. IV.) appeals to it for a good influence.

The subject of eclipses is worthy of a long article in itself, as, although we are told that a number of solar eclipses may be bearing rule now (whatever that means), there is no reference to this in the predictions made monthly from the New Moon.

3. Charubel says (vol. 1, p. 104) that the symbol of a degree belongs to the *preceding* part of a degree. But (p. 197) the opposite rule is assumed in dealing with Edison.

I have tried Sepharial's Epochal rectification, and sometimes it has led to an Ascendant whose symbol is astonishingly correct. But I have been led to the following modification of it, as I found the original rule in Vol. I, does not always work. When I have reason to believe the given time is fairly accurate, I apply Sepharial's method to nine months, eight and seven before birth, and I take the one in which the correction is least. I will give an example from an actual case. Boy born, Halifax, 6.30 p.m., 11th December, 1876. Applying the usual rule, this becomes 6.16 p.m. local time. Although the correction is not great I was not satisfied, as I knew the father noted the time carefully, also the symbol of the ascending degree is very inappropriate to the lad's character. Going over it lately with my present method, I make the epoch to be 14th May, and the time is correct—local time—and further the symbol now is extremely suitable.

As "Raphael" says, we can get an epochal date to correspond to any fictitious time, but is that any more remarkable than getting the horoscope, &c., for any assigned time, whether there was an actual birth or not?

Yours sincerely,

J. W.

SATURN IN SCORPIO.

Sir,—In my article on "Saturn in Scorpio," I wrote—"Some crowned head will descend into the grave." Some of your readers may possibly think that I wrote this with one eye on the Tsar of Russia, suspecting that he would not live. Will you therefore allow me to say that the article in question was written two months before it was published, and before a word had appeared in the papers hinting at any danger to the Tsar. I wrote from theoretical considerations only, and without reference to any "crowned head" in particular.

I do not know whether the Tsar's death can be claimed as a fulfilment of this prediction. He died on November 1st, and at noon on that day h was at $29 \simeq 23$. It is generally stated that when a planet gets into the last two degrees of a sign, it begins to act through the next sign. I have generally been inclined to limit this rule to the *last* degree only, and I think that in this position a planet acts through *two signs*, the one it is entering and the one it is leaving, this of course on account of the planetary orb.

aspected, will the song of life be harmonious or otherwise. The force, or latency, of the other mounts show the other notes of the chord— influences and environments. The former (ruling planet and mount) has the major influence, the latter (other mounts and aspects) the minor, but all are necessary adjuncts in life's school.

Palmistry being so much easier to study than Astrology, the one being objective and the other subjective, and perception, being in the aggregate to-day, and reflection and judgment somewhat in abeyance, it follows, as a necessary corollary, there are fifty palmists to one astrologer. Palmistry as practised to-day is, in many cases, anything but scientific or reliable, and until it is studied in connection with its parent, Astrology, it never can be anything like *exact*. But the drawing-rooms ridicule the parent, yet welcome the child. So our modern palmists—if conventional or desiring to pander to public taste and opinion—declare Palmistry has no connection with the stars at all. Correct predictions are sometimes given, though. Why? Because thought transference and intuition enters into it; and some people, being of the negative, receptive type, and to a greater or lesser extent intuitive and magnetic, are able to draw from or sense the inner consciousness of the other, receive their feelings and thoughts, tell the subject's past, and predict future events. But as the *means* to this end, sympathetic rapport must be established; it therefore follows (by the law of affinity and antipathy) there will be some person to whom *on these lines* they can give no reliable predictions. Intuition and receptivity are psychic gifts and, for the majority, not in the reckoning. But all who study the subject, and have good memories, can be scientific palmists, and can claim exactitude if they *base* their predictions on the laws of Astrology, which is an exact science. Palmistry is divided into two branches—"Chiromnomy" and "Chiromancy." The first deals with the character; astrologically, the radix or horoscope, particularised by first house or Ascendant. Chiromancy, the events of the life. In Astrology, it answers to the aspects the planets hold one to the other.

We will first deal with the hand as a whole or "Character." Looking at the subject broadly, we take three types—the harmonious hand, the inharmonious, and the indifferent. The harmonious hand will have nothing *in excess* or deficient. The fingers will be of the same length as the palm (showing impulse and reason equally

blended), all the mounts developed, yet not unduly—each finger joint seen, and the lines clear, deep and long; in fact, a *balanced* hand shows balance in the nature, no *extremes*. I may add it is very rarely met with, not more than once or twice in a lifetime.

(*To be continued*).

Marriage.

BY "ALAN-LEO."

(*Continued from page 98.*)

MY housekeeper is one of those dear old ladies who never seem to grow old! At seventy-five she would pass for sixty quite comfortably; she is so nimble and active. It is her kind disposition that keeps her so young. Now, she has two sons, one by adoption, which is myself (and a better mother I would not wish to possess), and the other her dear boy "John"—"handsome John" you would call him, for he is as fine a specimen of humanity, physically, as you could wish to see, and this thought must have struck the recruiting sergeant when he won his consent to try on her Majesty's uniform, for "John" became a soldier, brave and bold, much to his mother's grief and sorrow. But as we are chiefly concerned with his marriage, we will get to the facts that led up to this important point.

In the year 1870, "John" was ordered to Bermuda. He was then lance-corporal in the band, and towards the close of the year was promoted to the position of drum-major. Now, if there was one thing more than another that attracted me as a boy, it was the drum-major in the army; the swagger of his walk, the majesty of his importance, always filled me with admiration for this great person, so what must it be for the opposite sex who have these feelings in their breast! I can imagine the plight I should have been in if fate had altered the style of my wearing apparel. Now, soon after "John's" promotion, he was introduced to "Susan," and from this introduction ripened the strongest love. "Susan" was a cre'ole, and the fire of love was deep in her nature, but the depth of their love was to be proved. Now, a soldier has to obtain consent from his superior officer before he can marry, so "John" applied to the colonel, quite expecting to receive his favor, but it was denied. This happened in the fall of 1871. The blow to "John" and "Susan" was very severe, so "John"

decided to resign his position, and stripes, and return once more to "private" in the ranks, and this he did, much to everyone's surprise. But "John" had determined to get married, and as "private," he was allowed two nights leave each week, but forbidden to leave the island the regiment was stationed upon; now, "John's" motive was to get married secretly, before the officials could get to know anything about it, and how this was managed I must inform you next month.

(*To be continued.*)

Degrees of the Zodiac Symbolized.

(*Continued from page 103.*)

V I R G O .

FIRST DEGREE.—A festival; occasion for the assembling together of villagers in gala costume.

It denotes a person of a sociable, friendly and flexible nature; capable of adapting itself to its environment; having a strong taste for pleasures of various kinds, luxuries, festivities, &c. It promises friendships and good fortune to the native, who will be much esteemed for his convivial spirit. It is a degree of *Feasting*.

2nd degree.—A solitary rock jutting up from a waste of sand.

It indicates a person of much fixity, steadiness, and gravity of character; inclined to agnosticism or atheism. Cold, mathematical, hard, and very just in his methods of thought, but lacking those emotional qualities which make of life something more vital than a problematical theory. The native is somewhat indolent and wanting in direction and purpose; but there is great power of resistance and endurance. The fortunes of the native will be poor, partly due to lack of executive ability on the side of the native, and partly to the conditions of birth and environment. A degree of *Poverty*.

3rd degree.—A man in a skull-cap, busy at work with some scientific instruments.

It denotes a person of industrious habits; quick insight into natural laws; an investigator in the chemical or other scientific world; fond of experiment, eager in his undertakings, very hopeful, though during life will be hardly used at the hands of fortune. The native will,

however, eventually succeed in his endeavours, and will assuredly reap the fruit of long and earnest labors. It is a degree of *Research*.

4th degree.—A field of corn standing high and ripe.

It denotes a person of simple and rural habits, who will succeed in the cultivation of natural products, and in husbandry or farming. The mind, although simple, is full of the essential elements of right thinking, and the nature is ripe with well-directed aspirations and endeavours. Such an one will live a useful and successful life, and will come to the length of his days in competence and peace. It is a degree of *Produce*.

5th degree.—A soldier prepared for battle.

It defines a man of ready spirit, quick to respond to the calls of duty and honor; a man of noble instincts and well-disciplined habits. Such will prove a ready and willing friend and a redoubtable opponent. He will succeed in life through his own executive powers, and the credit which falls to him will be well-earned. It is a degree of *Efficiency*.

6th degree.—A man and a woman playing together, with fruits, flowers and wine upon a table beside them.

It indicates a person of a joyous, youthful nature, full of animal spirits and mirthfulness; fond of all kinds of pleasures; seldom seriously disposed; endowed with some personal beauty and the qualities which make a cheerful companion and a successful lover. There is, however, very little stability in the nature, and no power to sustain courage under trial. Money will come readily to the hand, but it will go as quickly, leaving its scars behind. It is a degree of *Pleasure*.

7th degree.—A man and a woman standing with their backs to one another.

It denotes a person of reserved and bashful disposition; not unsociable, but awkward in the presence of others, particularly so with the opposite sex. The native will be indifferent to marriage, or will have troubles therein. The affections are very sincere, the mind pure and chaste, and the disposition kind and generous. The manner, however, is retired, cautious, sensitive and delicate. It is a degree of *Modesty*.

8th degree.—A woodland scene, at the back of which there stands a tower upon a hill.

It indicates a person of free, open, and generous spirit ; frank and natural mind ; with a strong taste for natural beauties ; exalted ideals ; contemplative nature. The native will have some inclination to mountain climbing or to the ascent of high places. It denotes success in life of a quiet order, and a retired old age. It is a degree of *Contemplation*.

9th degree.—A stagnant pool filled with weeds and rank verdure.

It denotes a person of an indolent and wasteful character, prone to let duties slide and to procrastinate with fortune. It further indicates that the native will form an alliance with a female which will be to his detriment. In general, the native will be unfortunate, his marriage especially so. It is a degree of *Stagnation*.

(To be continued.)

Mrs. Besant's Directions.

WE published Mrs. Annie Besant's horoscope on page 193, Vol. IV., of this magazine. It will no doubt be of interest to some of our readers if we here give her directions for the present period :—

PRIMARY.

☉ R ♂ ♀ P.	} = 1889
☉ P. par ☽ R	
☉ P. △ ♄ P.	= 1890
☉ ∠ ☉	= 1892
☽ R ☐ ♀ P.	= 1896
☉ P. ☐ ☽ R	= 1898
„ ☐ ♂ P.	= 1899

SECONDARY.

☽ P. ♂ ♀ P.	= Oct. 1893
„ ♂ ♀ R	= Nov. 1893
„ ☐ ♀ P.	= Feb. 1894
„ △ ☽	= March 1894
„ ∠ ♂ R	= June 1894
„ ∠ ♂ P.	= July 1894
„ △ ♄ R	= August 1894
„ △ ♄ P.	= Oct. 1894
„ △ ☉ P.	= Jan. 1895
„ ☐ M.C.	= June 1895
„ ♂ Asc.	= July 1895
„ ♂ ☉ R	= Jan. 1896

It will be seen that the benefic directions of the Sun to Venus and Jupiter were in force when Mrs. Besant joined the Theosophical Society. This is followed by a series of unfortunate, though not serious, primaries. The secondary direction of the Moon to the conjunction of Saturn fell due in the Autumn of 1893, and under this

most unfortunate influence she first went to America, where the ingenious Brahman Mr. Chakravarti is said to have succeeded in persuading her that there was truth in the charges of fraud brought against Mr. Judge; and then to India, where evidence in support of these charges was laid before her. The direction of the Moon to the square of Mercury measures to the time when, Mrs. Besant having adopted these charges and become the accuser, Colonel Olcott wrote his ill-omened letter to Mr. Judge, and the latter, misconceiving it apparently, made the whole affair public. The semi-square to Mars measures to the Mid-summer of 1894, when, after an anxious period of strain, a sort of patchwork agreement (warranted not to wash) was manufactured. Then, under the good aspects to Jupiter and the Sun (Jupiter ruling the ninth—voyages), she went to New Zealand and Australia on a very successful lecturing tour.

The eclipses and transits referred to in the case of Mr. Judge are also of great interest here, since both natives are born under the same sign—Aries. His sign and its opposite have been badly afflicted by the eclipses of the last two years.

LEO.

Hindu Astrology,

AFTER PARASHARA.

THE applicability of Hindu Astrology to European and Western conditions of life has ever been a subject of great interest to myself, and as the result of considerable research and experience in the matter, I venture to bring the subject to the test in the following pages. The first point that presents itself to the student of Jyotisha (the name for Hindu Astrology), is one that has already been canvassed in the pages of this journal to some considerable extent: I mean the relation of the Hindu Zodiac to our own. It will be remembered that this question came up in relation to the "Dignities" of the Planets. Ever since the days of Ptolome, the writer of the *Tetrabiblos* the dignities of the planets have been received by Western Astrologers exactly as given by him in that famous work. But there is every reason to believe that Ptolome received his initial instruction in the celestial science from one of the Alexandrian teachers, and that primarily the teaching was derived from India. At all events, it is well known that the science

had attained considerable excellence in that country many centuries prior to the time of Ptolome. Now in Ptolome's days the *natural* zodiac, consisting of the Constellations Aries, &c., and the *Intellectual* Zodiac, commencing from the shifting vernal Equinox, were so nearly identical as to justify his statement of the "Dignities," whether he referred them to one or the other of these aforesaid zodiacs. It is certain, however, that Hindus referred them to the Natural zodiac, and Varâha Mihira only perpetuates and carries on the teachings of his far more ancient predecessors, in marking the distinction between the two zodiacs, and referring all his astrological observations to that which I have called the "Natural." By reference to various Sanskrit and vernacular works, I have decided, in common with many competent Pandits, that the two zodiacs exactly coincided in the year of the *Kali Yuga*, 3600. And this agrees with the observation of Mihira in his *Samhita*, where, commenting on the phenomenon of the Precision of the Equinoxes, he states that in his day the Summer Solstice coincided with the first degree of *Karkatakam* (i.e., Cancer of the Hindu Zodiac) and the Winter Solstice with the first degree of *Makaram*; whereas at one time, he observes, quoting from his predecessors (Parâshara and others), the Summer Solstice coincided with the middle of *Aslesha* (Leo of the Hindu zodiac). Hence we know that those from whom he quotes must have made their observation about 1,080 years previous to the time of Mihira, which extended from A.D. 416 to 572. Let us bring this into line with our own researches which supply the date, K.Y. 3600. The *Kali Yuga* began in February, B.C. 3102. Therefore, to obtain the date of the coinciding of the zodiacs, we say, $3600 - 3102 = \text{A.D. } 498$, which falls well within the limits ascribed to Mihira, and thus supports his independent statement and observation.

This point being settled to our satisfaction, and it being understood that Mihira and all his ancestors, Narâda, Garga, Parâshara, &c., refer to the natural zodiac when speaking of the planets' places, dignities, &c.; let us see to what extent we are justified in continuing to refer those statements to our own zodiac. The present year, $1894 - 498 = 1396$, the time elapsed since the coinciding of the two zodiacs. The precession of the Equinoxes is taken in India at $50''$ per year, and $1396 + 50'' = 69803'' = 19^{\circ} 23' 20''$. This increment is referred to in the Hindu books as the *Ayanâmsha*, or interval between the beginning of their zodiac and their Equinox. Consequently, the Sun does not reach the first degree of the Hindu zodiac until the 20th day after the

Vernal Equinox, when the solar month of *Mesham* commences. According to the European zodiac, however, the Sun will then have reached the 20th degree of φ , and will continue to be in that sign for ten days more. Hence, it follows that (1) if the exaltation of the planets were known to the Hindus before the days of Ptolome, and (2) if they referred those exaltations to the natural zodiac, then we, who have taken our cue from Ptolome, do wrong to maintain the dignities of the planets as given by him, except when, in modern times, the planets fall in *the last ten degrees of their respective exaltation signs* in our zodiac.

Ptolome seems to have taken his astrological knowledge from the East, and applied it to the zodiac instituted by Hipparchus in the second century B.C. This was putting old wine into new bottles, a perfectly safe but inadvisable proceeding. Who can say how much the *wine* may not have suffered in consequence? At all events, the two hypotheses presented above have been proved to the satisfaction of all who have studied the *Jyotish Shâstras*, or astrological writings of the Hindus, and the conclusion is of some consequence to modern astrologers.

The distinction between the Natural (Hindu) Zodiac, and the Intellectual (European) Zodiac being understood from the above comments, I may at once proceed to indicate the practical use of the *Ayanâmsha* in the system of Hindu Astrology I am about to place before European readers.

THE AYANAMSHA.

Having the horoscope of birth in hand, made in the usual European manner, the first thing is to convert it into terms of the Hindu zodiac. This is done as follows:—

1. From the year of birth subtract 498. This will give the *Ayanâmsha* period.
2. Multiply the *Ayanâmsha* period by $50\frac{1}{3}$ " and reduce to degrees, minutes, and seconds of space.
3. Uniformly subtract this number of degrees, minutes and seconds from
 - (a) The cusps of the houses in the European figure of birth ;
 - (b) The planets' places.

The figure thus obtained is the figure of birth according to the Hindu system.

N.B.—A serious error, which may not be at first apparent, will occur in the event of the student subtracting the *Ayanâmsha* from the mid-heaven only, and then erecting the figure, with this new M.C., from the Tables of Houses, for the oblique ascension of the signs and planets will be falsified.

To avert this possibility, observe that if, in the original European figure, a planet holds a certain place, distant, say, 5° from the cusp of the Second House, it ought to be in the same relative position in the Hindu figure derived by the above rules. The only difference will be that the planet may have changed its sign, which is the case when the degrees held by it in any sign are less than the *Ayanâmsha*.

THE ASTERISMS.

The Asterisms, or *Nakshatrams*—as they are called in Sanskrit—are 27 in number. A 28th asterism, falling in Capricorn, is sometimes used in Hindu Astrology for the purpose of some branches of *Prashna*, or Horary Astrology; but with this we are not concerned. Its name is *Abhijit*.

The 28 Asterisms correspond to the “Mansions of the Moon,” used sometimes by Hermetists and Kabalists, but very seldom in ordinary European Astrology. Their importance is not yet known to our students, and I shall have occasion to refer to them in a separate article. I may, however, make the observation in passing, that every one of them has its own specific nature just like the signs of the zodiac, and that a change, corresponding thereto, usually takes place in the life of a native at the \mathfrak{D} 's transit from one to another of them.

The Asterisms count from the beginning of the Hindu zodiac for purposes of the present system, and are each exactly $13^{\circ} 20'$ in extent. Each Asterism is divided into four parts, called *Pâdams*, or quarters, but for simplicity we may call them merely “parts.”

As there are 30° in each sign, and $13^{\circ} 20'$ in each Asterism, it follows that a sign contains just $2\frac{1}{4}$ Asterisms, *i.e.*, two whole Asterisms and one “part.” The following table shows the Asterisms contained in each of the signs; a separate column indicates the planet ruling each Asterism, and another, the period through which it is said to rule:—

TABLE OF ASTERISMS.

♈	♌	♏	
4 Ashvini	Magha	Mula	♏ 7
4 Bharani	Purva Phalguni	Purvashadha	♀ 20
1 Krittika	Uttara Phalguni	Uttara Shadha	♉ 6
♈	♌	♏	
3 Krittika	Uttara Phalguni	Uttara Shadha	do.
4 Rohini	Hasta	Shravana	♏ 10
2 Mrigashirsha	Chitra	Dhanistha	♂ 7
♏	♌	♏	
2 Mrigashirsha	Chitra	Dhanistha	do.
4 Ardra	Svati	Satabhisha	♏ 18
3 Punarvasu	Vishaka	Purvabhadra	♏ 16
♏	♌	♏	
1 Punarvasu	Vishaka	Purvabhadra	do.
4 Pushya	Anuradha	Uttarabhadra	♏ 19
4 Aslesha	Jyeshtha	Revati	♏ 17

If attention be paid to the following explanation, the table will soon be understood. In the first column we find ♈, and underneath it 4 Ashvini, 4 Bharani, 1 Krittika, which means that in the sign Aries there are four parts of Ashvini, 4 of Bharani, and 1 of Krittika. Under ♈ we find the remaining 3 parts of Krittika, the whole of Rohini, and half of Mrigashirsha. Under ♈ again and opposite to Ashvini we find in the second column the Asterism Magha, under Leo; and Mula under Sagittarius; while still further in the same line we find ♏ (Dragon's Tail, called *Ketu* by the Hindus), and the figure 7, which means that Ashvini, Magha, and Mula are all ruled by Ketu, and that Ketu's period is seven years.

In order to overcome the difficulty of introducing Sanskrit words into this series of articles upon Hindu Astrology, I propose to call the Asterisms by their numbers, Ashvini being 1, Bharani 2, and so on to Revati, which is 27. The names of the planets in use among us will be preserved, but for the purposes of reference, I give their Hindu equivalents in this place: The Sun is *Surya*; the Moon, *Chandra*; Mars, *Kuja*; Mercury, *Budhan*; Jupiter, *Curu*; Venus, *Shukra*; Saturn, *Shani*; the Dragon's Head or Moon's Ascending Node, *Rahu*; the Dragon's Tail or Moon's Descending Node, *Ketu*.

THE PLANETS' PERIODS.

I have made very careful and prolonged enquiries among the native Jyoshis of Southern India, to find out upon what principle the various periods are allotted to the several planets, but without success; and the books I have consulted are silent upon the matter. Upon study of the subject, however, I find that the total of the different periods is 120 years, which the Hindus regard as the natural life-period. This period, therefore, in some way corresponds to the complete circle of 360° , which is three times 120. The zodiacal circle we have found to be divided into 27 Asterisms, each of $13^\circ 20'$, and the life-period of 120 years, when divided by 9, the number of the significators employed gives 13 years 4 months; so that there is a proportion of 1 degree for each year of life, as in our own systems. It will be readily seen, moreover, that the basis of the system lies in the Triad—

$$\begin{aligned} 360 &= 3 \text{ times } 120 \\ 120 &= 3 \quad ,, \quad 40 \\ 40 &= 3 \quad ,, \quad 13\frac{1}{3} \\ 9 &= 3 \quad ,, \quad 3 \end{aligned}$$

Let us grant, for the purpose of investigation, that the periods of the planets are the result of experience, and at once the intelligent astrologer would be prepared to find that there is some underlying numerical harmony, by which this apparently arbitrary division of the life-period is brought into line with all we know of the Astral science. For myself, I am quite prepared to find it so, though up to the present time I am not in a position to state that the said harmony actually exists. Experience is the great test, and had not experience proved to me the truth of the deductions of Hindu astrologers, I should not deem the exposition worth writing.

(To be continued.)

The Tsar Nicholas II. was married on 26th November to Princess Alix of Hesse, grand-daughter of our Queen. As there was a New Moon less than 24 hours afterwards, it is to this we must turn for the event. The Sun was in conjunction with Venus in the mid-heaven at St. Petersburg. The position of the Moon, in Scorpio near Uranus, is by no means so fortunate for married bliss. Jupiter setting seems to promise peace abroad and to coincide with the peaceable and benevolent disposition credited to the new Autocrat.

Alan's Page.

THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY.

THE horoscopes of the various leaders of this Society will now be of special interest. Students should take out the directions of each from the maps of those who have been given in our pages, and see the relationship they bear to each other. Every astrologer should hope that the Society may be carried over into the next century. Theosophy teaches the Wisdom Religion, and Theosophists believe in what every astrologer should believe—Reincarnation.

INTUITION EXTRAORDINARY.

This month we introduce "Viola," who will take up Palmistry, Phrenology, and Graphology, and show their relationship to Astrology, the mother of all the occult sciences. It is now very important and necessary that this should be done, so as to prevent, if possible, the same fate overtaking Astrology that has happened to religion. The Wisdom Religion is the root of all religions, but the splitting up into so many various creeds has caused all the confusion that exists to-day. But I shall leave the subject in the able hands of "Viola," a lady gifted with splendid intuition and a large experience in the delineation of character. Those who feel disposed to test her will find her advertisement on page 3 of cover.

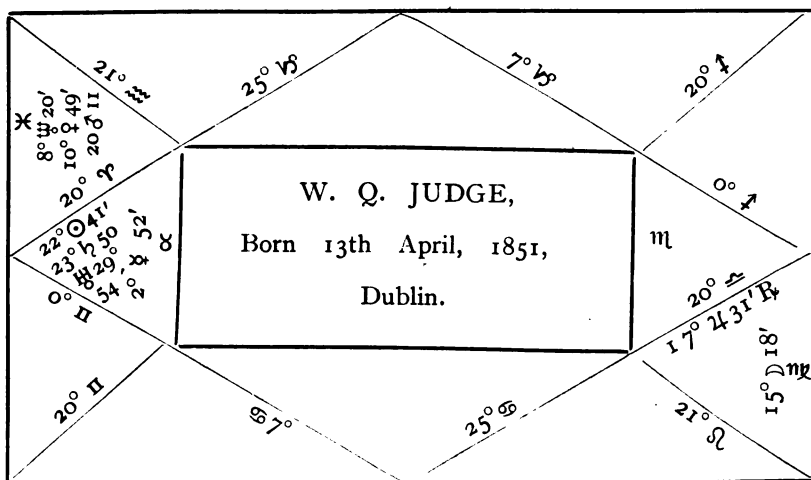
"KABALISTIC ASTROLOGY."

The sale of this work has exceeded our expectations. The success of Manual No. 1 encourages us to proceed with the preparation of No. 2. There will be no reprint of *Kabalistic Astrology*, so those readers who have a name had better hurry up and see what is in it! According to this manual your fortune is in your name, undoubtedly! Not only is this work so useful where the time of birth is unknown, but to the astrological student it is very valuable, a full and concise explanation of the nature of the planets being given. I can safely recommend every reader of this page to invest 2/6 in a copy.

BACON AND GAMMON.

The following is from the *Daily Graphic*:—"Emily Bacon, gipsy, hawker, ruler of the planets, and, presumably, professor of Astrology and art magic, has fallen upon evil days. She has been sent to gaol for two months upon conviction of having extracted half-a-crown from a laborer's wife on the strength of the assertion that she could 'rule her planet.' The present age is, indeed, unpropitious to the practice of the profession of an astrologer."

Natus : W. Q. Judge.



8	⊙	51	8	♀	13	7	♂	10
8	♂	55	5	♂	0	10	♂	58
14	♀	3	5	♂	25	9	♂	11

WILLIAM QUAN JUDGE, vice-president of the Theosophical Society, was born at Dublin, on the 13th April, 1851. The time of his birth does not seem to have been recorded to the minute, but took place between 4 and 6 a.m.—so he has stated. I estimate the correct time to have been about 5.7 a.m. (local time), when the positions would be as represented in this map. The Sun, Saturn, and Uranus are rising in Aries, and Mercury is intercepted in the Ascendant in Taurus. The twentieth degree of Aries rising denotes—"One of adventurous nature, fond of discovery and travel. A pioneer in whatever field of labor he may undertake to work in; one who will open up new roads of knowledge and research; active, aggressive, bold and fearless; one who will travel into distant countries and gain applause for his discoveries." This is certainly an apt description in many ways. A "pioneer" in the Theosophical Society, he was associated with that body from its commencement, and he has been actively engaged in its propaganda in America.

The Sun rising in conjunction with the lord of the mid-heaven signifies one who is bound to come largely to the front, who will occupy prominent position, and who is capable of controlling and directing others.

It is a testimony to rulership or power over others. Uranus rising between Saturn and Mercury indicates the bias towards occultism and things secret and mysterious, while Mercury, ruling the third, gives literary power. Mr. Judge has written sundry books, has edited his magazine—*The Path*—for many years, and has lectured publicly many times. The tendency to secrecy and mystery is very strongly marked here, for, in addition to the conjunction of Uranus, Saturn, and Mercury, there is the lord of the Ascendant in the twelfth, and the Moon in the sixth; both these houses being secret, obscure, and opposed to the natural tendency of Aries, which is that of boldness, self-reliance, and openness. The Aries nature is therefore here overlaid with characteristics not its own, and, as a result, exhibits the contrasts of openness and concealment, enthusiasm and diplomacy.

Jupiter is retrograde on the cusp of the seventh in opposition to the Sun and Saturn, hence the native meets with enemies signified by Jupiter, religious folk, those associated with him directly (as the first with the seventh) and those born under Libra and Sagittarius.

The presence of the lord of the Ascendant, Mars, in the twelfth house, badly aspected, is anything but a good testimony. It increases the enmity he arouses, causes misfortunes that no power can overcome, and, being lord of the Ascendant, makes many of them *his own fault*, and due directly to his own action.

The Moon opposed to Mars and Venus signifies an unfortunate marriage and endless social and family troubles. His only child died, an event plainly shown in the figure.

He is, to some extent, a born organiser, manager, and leader. Of followers or pupils he may have many, but of intimate friends, in the deepest meaning of the word, few, if any—so the figure suggests.

The testimonies concerning the end of his life are by no means favorable. The positions as a whole do not favor the idea of long life, for the benefics are not sufficiently prominent for good. The ruler of the fourth in the sixth opposed by Mars from the twelfth suggests a rather sudden close to life, and the fact of Mars being lord of the Ascendant introduces the idea that his death may be due, directly or indirectly, to his own action. The luminaries are each attended by a malefic, and are devoid of good aspects, except for the parallels of the Sun, Moon, and Venus. If it were not for this, and the presence of the Sun in Aries, which tends to increase the vitality, one would hardly have expected him to live so long as he has done.

The directions at present are extremely unfavorable:—

PRIMARY.	SECONDARY.
☉ P. ☐ 24 R. = 1892	☽ P. ☐ M.C. = Feb. 1894
☉ R. ♂ ♂ P. } = 1893	,, 8 24 P. = Aug. 1894
☽ R. ☐ ♀ P. } = 1893	,, 8 24 R. = Dec. 1894
☉ P. ∠ Asc. = 1894	,, ♂ Asc. } = Feb. 1895.
	,, ∠ ☉ P. } = Feb. 1895.
	,, ♂ ☉ R. = May 1895
	,, ♂ ♀ R. } = June 1895
	,, ♂ ♂ P. } = June 1895
	,, ∠ ☿ R. } = June 1895
	,, ∠ ♀ P. } = Aug. 1895
	,, ♂ ☿ P. } = Aug. 1895
	,, ♂ ♀ P. } = Aug. 1895
	,, ♂ ☿ R. } = Dec. 1895
	,, ☐ ☽ R. } = Dec. 1895

Mars comes out of the twelfth house, and passes over the radical Sun; this was exact in 1893, but will probably not act to its fullest until 1895, because then, about mid-summer, the progressed Moon will pass across both. This will render the year 1895 most unfortunate for him in all directions, and it even looks as if there will be considerable danger to his life.

The direction of the Moon to the square of the mid-heaven measures to February, 1894, when the subject of an inquiry into certain charges against Mr. Judge was first made public (by the native's own action, due to a misconception).

The solar eclipse of 6th April, 1894, at 17° ♈ fell near his Ascendant, and in opposition to his Jupiter.

The lunar eclipse of 15th September, 1894, at 23 ♋, fell on his Mars.

Mars was transiting his Ascendant and the planets therein at the time of the last European Convention, 12-13, July, 1894; and the same planet was retrograde again through his Ascendant in November, 1894, when grave charges were made against him in the *Westminster Gazette*. These transits of Mars have no doubt helped to force into action the direction of Mars to the conjunction of the Sun, and the opposition of the Moon and Jupiter.

Mr. Judge's Kabalistic horoscope can easily be erected from his

name, which I have given. His number is 24, and this "confers the association of persons of high birth, and gives success through women of position." Mr. Judge's success has certainly been due to his association with Madame Blavatsky.

LEO.

Personal Descriptions.

(Continued from page 110.)

BY "APHOREL."

THE astrologer, William Lilly, in his *Christian Astrology*, gives the "Table of Degrees," to which Salmon and Wilson have been so pungent in their remarks upon. But it is worth noting that Lilly says little for or against their (supposed) effects. He is more clear and definite in his personal descriptions, for he decisively says (Chap. xx.):

"If ♈ is ascending, ♊ being lord of ♈ shall be significator of the querist, viz., the sign ascending shall in part signify his corporature, body, or stature, the lord of the Ascendant, the ♄ and planet in the Ascendant, or that the ♄ or lord of the Ascendant are in aspect with, shall show his quality or conditions equally mixed together."

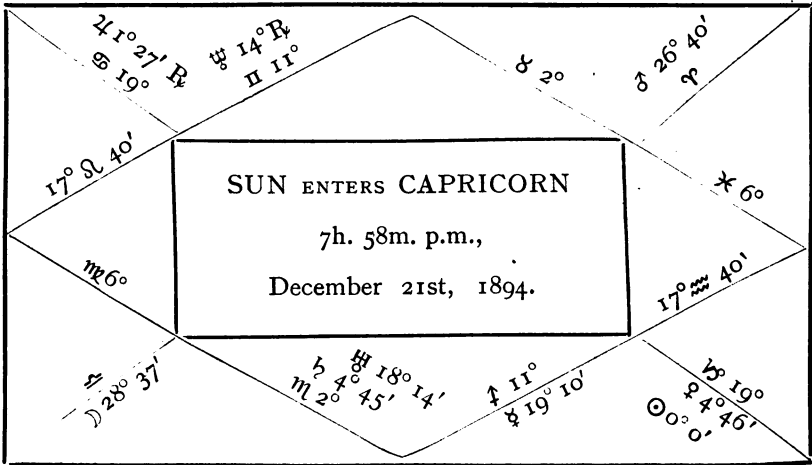
Now, in his first example 23 ♈ 27 ascends, Cor. Leonis (Regulus) near the cusp, the Moon is in Virgo in the second house, separating from a trine of Venus and applying to a trine of Jupiter, both of whom are in the tenth house in 16° 7' and 24° of ♈ respectively, and he states:—

"The stature of the querist is signified by ♈ (the sign ascending), there is a fixed star, called *Cor. Leonis*, near the cusp of the first house, viz., in 24 ♈ 34, of the nature of ♊ and ♄, and first magnitude; both the cusp of the first house and degree of the sign wherein ☉, lord of the Ascendant, is in, are the terms of ♄; the ♄ is in trine aspect with both ♀ and ♄, and they are in the tenth house, so that the form of the querent's body was decent, of the middle stature, strongly compacted, neither fat nor fleshy, but comely, wanting no gracefulness in its composure; a fair visage, reddish hair, clear skin, some cuts on the right cheek (for he was a soldier); but certainly the presence of the fixed star in the Ascendant, which represents the face, occasioned those hurts or scars."

Here it is well to point out a difference of opinion between artists. Lilly gives as his reason for the marks, or scars, on the right cheek, the presence of Cor. Leonis in the Ascendant, but "Sepharial" states

that the Ascendant, or first house, is masculine, and rules the *left* side. Query—does the presence of Regulus in the first house produce anything of the kind? It is well to note that the ☉, ruling Ascendant, is on the cusp of the ninth house in ♈, his exaltation, but Mars in the eighth in ♊ is applying to ☉. Had ♂ *passed* the ☉, I should have ascribed the scars, &c., to ♂ ☉ on right side of cheek (ninth house), but cannot in this case apply “Sepharia’s” rule. Will he kindly give a few remarks on this? The description assigned by most of the authors when Leo ascends in this case seems well borne out, and all the Leo people I have come across, whose birthtime is known fairly accurately, are similar in description, excepting the reddish face, and in this case I have never yet had the birthtime of any auburn or red-haired person, although, I must confess, my acquaintance with persons whose hair is of that tinge is less than half-a-dozen. I knew an astrologer some years ago whose hair came under that category, and he was born when either the last fall of Taurus or the first of Gemini ascended—he was not certain which; and, yet, although an expert mathematician, and had rectified his figure by past accidents, by both Ptolemaic and Placidian systems, he could not be certain whether he was a Taurean or under the rule of Gemini!! I have repeatedly noticed this, viz., there is a great similarity in complexion and color of hair between the Leo and Aries type, but the face of those born under Leo are more fleshy than those of Aries, and it will be very noticeable in the chin, for the child of Aries has a chin far more pointed than the native of Leo, in fact, as far as my experience goes, the type of the “Ram’s” head is fairly representative of the Aries individual, but this characteristic is absent from the Leonine person. Again, in most cases, I find the Aries people are by no means corpulent, in fact, they are somewhat spare in build, whereas the Leo people are, generally speaking, inclined to corpulence, and are rarely below the medium height, and, regarding height, this remark applies to Aries, for all whom I have come across are tall. I have never yet met a dark Leo person (i.e., dark eyes, dark complexion, and black hair), but should any of our readers know of persons whose characteristics are different from the foregoing, who they positively know are born under Leo or Aries, and have their true horoscope, they would be doing the science signal service by sending date, &c., of birth, with the planetary positions and personal descriptions for comparison and tabulation.

Mundane Astrology.



THE above map is drawn for the last quarter in the astrological year 1894. A perfect cross is formed between the Sun, Mars, Jupiter and the Moon—extremes meet—the highest and the lowest are seriously affected.

The Government will have a trying time, and much to contend with; Royalty will suffer, and death will be busy among the rich.

The common people will be exceedingly unfortunate, and agitation from the poorer classes may be anticipated; many suicides will again distress us, and insanity will be on the increase, and there will be much crime. Houses of pleasure will suffer, and matters connected with children will be the topic of general conversation.



At the time of the New Moon, the malefics will hold the angles, and the fiery Mars will be setting; the prospects are not favorable for peace. The activity in the post office and railways is well borne out by the position of the luminaries in the third. There will be increased expenditure, and many remarkable failures; lawyers will be exceptionally busy.

The poor will be in sad distress, and there will be much sickness in their midst.

Review.

"KABALISTIC ASTROLOGY: OR, YOUR FORTUNE IN YOUR NAME." BY
"Sepharial." 2s. 6d.

This recently published book opens up quite a new chapter in Astrology, for English readers at all events. The system expounded in it is founded upon the power of names. In order to erect any person's Kabalistic horoscope, all that is required to be known is the name in full, the date of birth, and whether the birth was before or after noon. The exact hour of birth is not required. From these apparently slender data, a complete system of Astrology has been elaborated. The system differs of course in some respects from that familiar to our readers, but it seems to give remarkable and interesting results. Much of the information contained in the book is new and valuable, and is applicable to the ordinary non-kabalistic Astrology. The material for the volume has been translated from the French, and is not to be found in any other book in the English language. We can strongly recommend it to our readers as being more than worth its slight cost. It is written with all "Sepharial's" well-known ability and clearness of explanation.

Notes on Recent Events.

There was a transit of Mercury (retrograde, of course) across the Sun's disk on 10th November. It is stated that the retrograde position of Mercury tends to frequent rain, and this is corroborated by our observations, as well as by the present instance. The unsettled weather began about the 20th October, when the Sun was in conjunction with Saturn and opposition to Mars—two very contrary influences—which produced squally weather. On 30th October, Mercury became stationary, and on the 10th November transited the Sun. The wet and unsettled weather lasted until the middle of November, when Mercury became direct again and the rain ceased. The severe floods in many parts of England will be long remembered.

About 11.45 p.m. on 25th November, a woman of the "unfortunate" class had her throat cut at London. She was found dead in the street, her murderer not being arrested. We predicted "crime amongst women" on page 111. The Moon was in Scorpio in conjunction with Uranus. Mars was in the eighth house at the time.

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If Afghan astrologers can read the heavens, the Ameer's reign is to last eighteen years. His Highness has been informed by some venturesome mullah that he will live three years more, after which the throne of Kabul will pass into other hands.

Letters to the Editor.

Letters of general interest alone are inserted. Correspondents desiring reply must please enclose a stamped addressed envelope.

All correspondents should give full name and address, not necessarily for publication, but as a token of good faith.

DEAR SIR,—In response to "Raphael's" invitation, I send the following particulars:—Harry Lock, born at Hull, December 20th, 1889, at 11.30 p.m. I may add that he has the most fervid imagination and ultra trans-Atlantic gift of exaggeration. He will relate Manchausen like fables, and persist in their strict reality; and contradiction and ridicule only impel him to re-iterated assurances of their truth. He can be very cruel and revengeful; but if he thinks his parents are in trouble, he is instantly cut to the heart.

While writing, permit me to draw the attention of students of Astrology to the fact that whereas the Symbols of the Degrees of the Zodiac, now being published, are often inaccurate when applied to the sign and degree rising on the astronomical horoscope, they will be found, I believe, perfectly and surprisingly correct when applied to the sign and degree rising on Kabalistic horoscope; or, in other words, to the place the ☉ holds at birth when corrected according to the rule supplied under the Kabalistic system.

Yours sincerely,

G. H. LOCK.

November 27th, 1894.

SIR,—May I attempt to answer some of the questions of "J.W.," page 119.

The predictions based upon the entry of planets into signs are governed by theory, which will be found pretty clearly hinted at in Chapter XI. of "Sepharial's" new book, *Kabalistic Astrology*. I hope to give a full explanation of the theory and its practical application before long.

The theory of the hyleg cannot be answered in a short letter. Perhaps "Sepharial" will be so good as to deal with it in an article, if these lines

should meet his eye. Without a doubt, the two luminaries and the sign on the cusp of the Ascendant, all three, influence the health of both sexes.

(1.) Eclipses generally seem to me to produce some, at least, of their effects at once. It cannot have been a mere coincidence that a naval battle should have immediately followed an eclipse affecting the ninth and third houses. I have seen other illustrations of this. I have not investigated "Sepharial's" rule sufficiently to criticise it.

(2.) Eclipses are always malefic, according to the sign and house in which they fall; but when they are in close conjunction with Jupiter, their malice is abated; and when they fall on the radical place of Jupiter in a natus, and the planet was well aspected at birth, good effects may be produced of the nature of Jupiter's position in the radix. Whether this also applies to Venus, the other Benefic, I am uncertain; it is not improbable.

(3.) Each degree, like each sign, has its definite meaning; and just as the end (the last two degrees) of each sign begins to partake of the nature of the next sign, so the extreme end of each degree begins to assume the nature of the next degree. This I believe to have been "Charubel's" meaning.

May I remind readers of the fact that, of the "Degrees Symbolized" that have been published in this magazine, those from $25^{\circ} \text{ } \text{♊}$ to $30^{\circ} \text{ } \text{♋}$ were done by "Charubel," who recorded them by his own unaided psychic faculty. Those from Υ onward have been translated by "Sepharial" from the Italian. I hope "Sepharial" will publish his in book form for convenience of reference.

May I suggest that the next time "Jaskeb" prints an article it should be *wholly* in italics, so as to avoid the peculiar piebald appearance of his present effusion.

"Tabulator," page 96, wants tables of houses for all degrees of latitude. He will find most of what he requires in the book entitled *The Spherical Basis of Astrology*, by Dalton, published by the Arena Publishing Co., Boston, U.S.A. It contains tables of houses for every degree of latitude between 22° and 56° , and some of the rules for calculation. For the rest of the rules, study Pearce's *Text-book* (Vol. I.) very carefully.

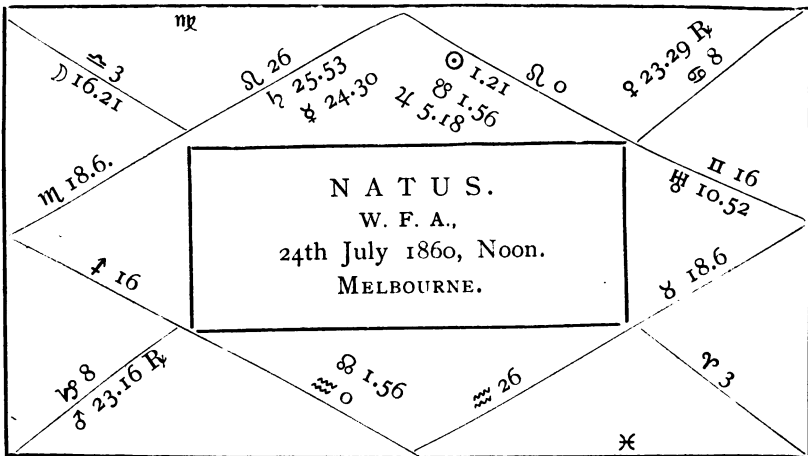
LEO.

DEAR SIR,—I beg to forward you a copy of a natus which seems to give decided evidence of evil influence from the Moon's South Node (Dragon's Tail). The native committed suicide by hanging on 7th December, 1891, at the age of thirty-one years four months and a half. It will be noticed that the \odot occupies his own house ♋ , in conjunction with ♌ culminating, which would, under ordinary circumstances, point to a glorious career, quite the reverse of what really happened. The position of ♊ however ♊ with \odot and ♌ , according to tradition, will give a totally different reading, and in this case, at least, cannot be easily ignored. The \odot hyleg has also the Zod. Par. ♌ , and with such angular strength that if we remove ♊ , it would be rather a bold judgment to predict such an ill ending. Certainly, there are planetary aspects and positions in the figure which are remarkably evil, but which might be construed to point more to the character and health rather than to a violent and infamous end in the prime of life.

It is not often that we meet a case in which the Lunar Nodes occupy a position to give great force, *supposing they have the power to do so*, although there must be great numbers of such cases, but this appears a rather striking example of such, and may be worth a little consideration on the part of enquiring students.

As I remarked in a former communication, no sound reason has yet been given by modern writers for discarding the influence of the Nodes. It is only after they repeatedly occupy prominent positions for influence, and no such influence is observed, nor can be traced to them, that we should be justified in forming the opinion that they are inert.

Here follows the natus :—



☉	19° 52' N.	P. ♄ ♂ ♄ ♂ ☿.
☾	11° 1' S.	P. ♃ to ☐ ♂ to ☐ ♀.
♋	10° 40' N.	P. ☽ ♂ ♏ ☐ Asc.
♀	15° 4' N.	P. ♏ to ☐ ☽, ☿ ♂ ☐ ☿.
♂	27° 38' S.	☿ ♀ ☐ ☿ to ☐ ☽.
♃	19° 26' N.	P. ☉ * ☿ ♂ ☿.
♄	14° 9' N.	P. ♀ ♂ ♃.
♅	22° 3' N.	* ☿ ☐ ♂ ☐ ♀.

The native was in Government service (Telegraph Department), with good prospects in life, as shown by the positions of ☉ and ♃ culminating, and his relatives do not know to this day the cause of the fatal act.

I judge he was afflicted with disappointed ambition and mental troubles or jealousy caused by the opposite sex (♂ ☿ ♀ from third and ninth).

There are many old astrological rules and aphorisms which appear to have been propounded without sufficient reason and requiring much careful revision, but I and many other students would like to see true and practical examples of the efficacy or otherwise of the once valued, but now much-

abused Nodes. Many who ignore the Nodes accept passively the table of essential dignities of the planets as handed down to us, but when I see a table of dignities propagated by modern writers, in which the planet Mars is given both *Triplicity* and *Fall* in the same sign (\odot), I feel inclined to scratch my head in wonderment—and would do so, too, if it wasn't rude.

I enclose a slip cut from the Melbourne *Evening Herald*, which, I presume, was intended as a *grand satire* on our science. I made a courteous reply, showing the weakness of the remarks, and how unfair it was to quote an isolated phrase or part of a sentence from the original text; but, with the usual *impartiality* which characterises Australian newspapers, while glad to insert any twaddle ridiculing Astrology, of which they know absolutely nothing, they decline to publish any defence thereof.

Trusting this may find favor in your columns,

Yours, etc.,

“ZARIEL” (The Australian Astrologer).

DEAR SIR,—I observe a letter from “J. W.” in your December issue, which deals with the method of rectification by *Epoch*. In his concluding remarks your correspondent accedes to the statement of “Raphael” that “we can get an Epoch to correspond to any fictitious time.” Now this is wholly incorrect and shows a wrong impression of the astronomical basis of the Epoch. A very little experiment will show that a definite number and series of Epochs are constituted every day by the rising of the signs taken in relation with the Moon's increasing longitude. Moreover, if a series of experimental Epochs be taken out for the months 1 to 10 preceding the birth it will be found that there is a definite alternating *plus* and *minus* increment, in the longitude of the Ascendant, obtained in each successive case; until at length the true longitude of the Ascendant at birth is reached. Each swing of the lunar pendulum, while constituting a definite epoch in itself to some subsequent birth, is in relation to the Ascendant from which calculation was made, as the semi-arc of a pendulum swing is to the point of rest or centre of gravity.

When this libration is referred to the increase of the Sun's longitude from month to month, it will be found that, between the epoch and the birth, a perfect spiral curve has been formed, whose termini occupy, in relation to the axis of the spiral, the same or a parallel plane. I shall endeavour at some future time to illustrate this law from exact data, and I am confident that your readers will be satisfied as to the existence of a geometrical and an astronomical law of birth.

I have only to add that in my opinion the case cited by your correspondent yields an Epoch 20th March, 1876, at 7.3 a.m., \odot in $\text{W } 24^{\circ} 32'$, which gives Ascendant at birth $\odot 24^{\circ} 32'$, a difference of five minutes in time. It gives the birth as 6.25 p.m., 11th December, instead of 6.30 p.m. as recorded. The longitude on the Ascendant is decreased by just *one degree*.

Sincerely,

“SEPHARIAL.”

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Palmistry Astrologised.

BY "VIOLA."

(Continued from page 123).

THE perfect hand and the perfect horoscope (one being the outcome of the other) show the moral, spiritual, and mental forces are masters in the life; while the animal instincts and passions are simply used as servants; a rich Karmic heirloom, and rare.

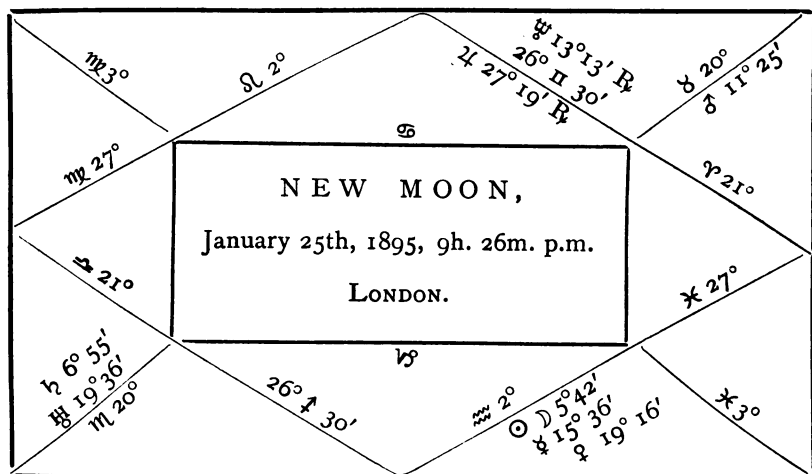
The indifferent hand, neither good nor bad (though these are but relative terms), lacks the necessary ballast. There are excesses and defects, some mounts predominate, and others are almost lacking. To explain:—At the base of each finger there is a mount: now each of these mounts correspond to one of the seven planets ♃, ♅, ☉, ♀, ☿, ♂, ☾. From these, each mount receives more or less influence according to its developments and signs. The ancients gave to each finger the name of one of the planets. Jupiter's finger is the first, or index finger, and its base the mount of ♃. The mount of ♅ is thus the base of the second finger. The ☉'s mount is found on the ball, or root, of the third finger; while the root, or mount, of the little finger, holds the mount of ☿. The thumb is sacred to ♀, and the root of the thumb is called the mount of ♀. Below the mount of ☿ is found the mount of ♂. The Moon's mount is opposite the mount of ♀. Now, as most hands come under the category of the indifferent, as most horoscopes do, we find, in the majority, some of these mounts too large, badly marked or aspected; others good, while some are deficient. For example, we find a hand in which the mount of ♀ is unduly large and barred—that is, badly aspected; the subject is of the *Venusian* type, and

a pleasure lover. The passional and material thus proves a stumbling block to higher things, yet, if \mathcal{U} and \mathfrak{X} 's mounts are well aspected and developed, he will be helped spiritually and mentally to overcome; if the \odot 's mount is also good, he or she will be metaphorically "weighed in the balance, and in the end not found wanting." But if the mount of the \mathfrak{D} is also in excess and evilly aspected, another factor enters in, a love of something stronger than water, and to this temperament a great danger. There will be thus a *tremendous* struggle, but still if the \odot 's mount is large and clearly-lined, *i.e.*, well aspected, there may be, and in all probability will be, some years of excess and the material, but he or she will in the end overcome, for a good mount of \mathcal{U} , \odot and \mathfrak{X} will be very powerful factors in the life. If we see these latter mounts poor, and the others in excess, we see the person has fearful odds to contend with. The mount of \mathfrak{F} very flat (scarcely any mount perceptible), a long second finger, and \mathfrak{h} mount developed excessively, and crossed, shows the Saturnine type cold, with little love in the nature, lacking sympathy and feeling, selfish and cold-hearted, yet with the \odot 's mount and \mathfrak{X} 's powerfully developed, at some time of the life (shown by the line of fate, or the marking on \mathfrak{h} line; and horoscopically by yearly directions) there will be spiritual enlightenment, from whence may spring the nucleus of love and charity. All the mounts are necessary and good, harmoniously developed, yet excess in any one leads to its abuse, and this is an evil, and any mount latent leads to *non* use, or indolence—also an evil. For instance, excess of \mathcal{U} 's mount gives religious mania, superstition, exaggerated pride and self-assertion; deficient—indicates lack of enthusiasm, hope, and want of self-respect, &c. Saturn, when well developed, gives prudence, wisdom, and faithfulness, depth and profundity. Its excesses and ill aspects show melancholia, ascetism, sadness, want of sociability, dread of death, fear and timidity, and sometimes a predisposition to commit suicide.

(To be continued.)

In the figure for the Winter Quarter, the Moon was in the third house in opposition to Mars in the ninth. This coincided with a severe gale and a railway accident, both attended by considerable loss of life. The gale, which chiefly affected the East coast, was on the 21st and 22nd December—the 21st being the day of the ingress. The railway accident occurred some miles from Crewe on the night of the 22nd. The ingress thus produced some of its effects immediately.

Mundane Astrology.



THIS is a most unfortunate figure, notwithstanding the elevation of Jupiter. The affliction to Mars and Saturn from fixed signs is severe — Saturn in second; many failures will take place, and Uranus on the cusp of the third will produce a crop of railway accidents; there will be many sudden deaths with Mars in the eighth.

Parliament opens under particularly evil influences, and the Government will be in great danger of defeat.

Very little progress will be made in Government affairs. The fifth house is very unfortunate; schools and houses of pleasure will suffer. Royalty will feel the evil of this map.

Marriage.

BY "ALAN-LEO."

(Continued from page 124).

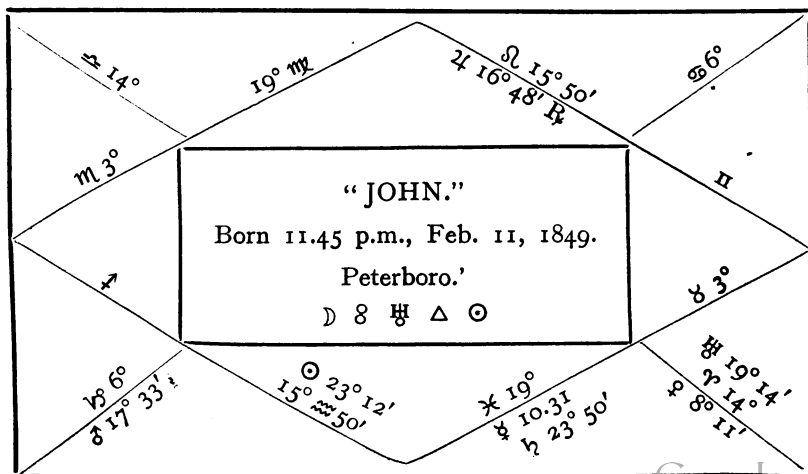
"JOHN" was stationed on the St. George's Island, three miles distant from which is the island of St. David's, and at the little chapel situated on this island "Susan" had attended from infancy, so to the minister she at once applied for help in her difficulty, and his advice was to marry at midnight secretly, and he promised to render all the help he could to carry this into effect.

Now, everything was arranged so that "John" could leave the island when it had become sufficiently dark on the first night that he

should be on leave, and on the eventful night the boats were in waiting, but somehow the Moon shone brighter that night than usual, but after some successful manœuvring, they at last pulled away for the happy shore. They had not proceeded far before the signal gun gave them all a severe fright, but it was only the signal for those on leave to return. But a greater surprise was in store. Somehow it had leaked out amongst the natives that "Susan" was going to be married. Such a midnight-scene was never witnessed before upon that island; dancing and shouting, the natives could scarce contain themselves; the would-be bride and bridegroom were carried to the little chapel, and the knot was quietly and quickly tied; then amid great excitement and cheering the couple left the island.

Now "John" had to return to the barracks at six a.m. Those twelve hours were anxious ones, for discovery meant nothing short of court-martial, so that when six p.m. came, "John" quickly spent his way to make a night of it, but merry nights sometimes bring sorrowful mornings, and so "John" found it, for the news of the wedding has spread, and "John's" appearance before the commanding officer was the result, but fortune favors the brave. "John" made a clean breast of it, and the officers' sympathies were aroused, with the result that "John" was sent to the convict-island of Boaz, twenty-one miles distant, but love not only laughed at locksmiths, but at garrison boats and convict-islands also. "Susan" made her way to the island of Boaz, and "John," by good conduct, was placed in the canteen; so after all, some happy months were spent.

At this point the following map will be interesting:—



It will be seen that the first planet the Moon applies to is the opposition of Uranus, and this is sufficient to account for the romantic courtship and marriage. The first and only child was born in the Bermudas at 9.50 p.m., August 17th, 1872, some particulars of whom I shall give later. Now, in 1873, "John's" regiment was ordered to Gibraltar, where he remained three-and-a-half years, but "Susan" could not follow. On the 21st of October, 1876, "John" sailed for England and received his discharge, joining the police force on his arrival, shortly after receiving a letter from "Susan" to say that she was on her way to England, having obtained a situation from a lady and gentleman to attend their children *en voyage*. It was a great day in Hyde Park when she arrived, and "John" was on duty there. On his return to his lodgings, that night, it was to find his wife and child—the former dying; she had caught a cold on the way. It was a sad blow after so long a parting, for, in four days, she died. The Moon had returned to her own place at birth. "John" has since married again.

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Degrees of the Zodiac Symbolized.

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V I R G O .

TENTH DEGREE.—A bag of money upon a table, near to which stands a dark woman masked.

It denotes a person of a fortunate nature, who will attract both friends and money. The latter will come to his hand as birds to the net of the snarer. But, see! he will not know how to use it, and it will become a source of danger to him through the machinations of a woman. In character the native will be sociable and generous; weak-willed, but highly industrious and fortunate. Apt in business, but with small knowledge of the deeper levels of human cupidity and passion, hence liable to be victimised. It is a degree of *Seductive Fortune*.

11th degree.—A man's hand, with the index finger pointing upward as if in command.

It denotes a nature of the most high utility. A flexible nature,

capable of fulfilling many and various positions in life ; a generous and kind disposition ; a high order of intelligence ; always seeking after the *uses* of things ; ingenious, inventive ; one who will succeed in life, and will have many tributes to his intelligence and usefulness. It is a degree of *Utility*.

12th degree.—A woman blindfold, and a man leading her.

It denotes a person of a weak, yet seductive nature, who will have much influence upon the other sex, and who may be led into dangerous relations with them, so that the life may be compared only to a tangled skein in which the complications are more various than the materials which enter into them. It is a degree of *Entanglement*.

13th degree.—A broad tract of open fields under the moon's rays ; a river winds its way through them.

It denotes that the life of the native will be calm, joyous, tranquil, and useful. In character the native will be gentle, peaceful, obliging, calm, not forceful, but exerting an influence of a very effective kind which persuades through harmony. The native will be very romantic and imaginative, and will favor the fine arts, music, poetry, painting, &c. The life will be fortunate. It is a degree of *Harmony*.

14th degree.—A man mining in the rock with a pick-axe.

It denotes a person of practical and unimaginative nature ; a negationist or agnostic ; a man of the people ; laborious, honest and just. The life of the native will be of a sedentary nature, occupied in hard work to little personal profit. There will be exposure to accidents and danger to life and limb thereby. The native will not care for supremacy or advancement, and will follow along the track made by others, devoid of wordly ambition. It is a degree of *Service*.

15th degree.—A beautiful woman nestling two doves upon her breast, one in each hand.

It indicates a person of the most tender and humane instincts, imbued with gentleness, love and devotion ; capable of service in the meanest capacity, providing it to be an office of usefulness to others. The native will be remarkable for his womanly tenderness and gentleness. His life will be successful, but on account of his timidity, he will be in danger of being pushed into the background at critical junctures, and will thus lose credit where it will often be due to him. It is a degree of *Devotion*.

16th degree.—Several men in festive attire assembled together are talking.

It indicates a person of sociable and versatile character, having strong humane feelings and sympathetic mind; one who will make many friends and will have some considerable benefits from associations formed casually. Without attempting it, the native will be most successful in the bringing together of persons mutually advantageous to one another. It is a degree of *Association*.

17th degree.—An old man cutting grapes in a vineyard.

It denotes a person of an industrious, watchful and prudent nature, who will work with an eye to the future, and will exercise providence over his means. In old age he will reap the reward of a steadfast industry, and gather in the fruits of foresight and care. It is a degree of *Prudence*.

18th degree.—An old, white-headed man surrounded by happy children.

It denotes to the native a long and happy life; an old age invested with the comforts of homely affection. It endows the native with a kind, benevolent and fatherly interest in his fellows, especially those of tender years. He will be much beloved, and will end his days in prosperity and peace. It is a degree of *Guardianship*.

19th degree.—A husbandman or cattle-dealer holding a stock-whip in his hand.

It indicates a rough and rustic nature, with a taste for excitement of the chase, or for the breeding of cattle. The nature is rugged, but genuine; lacking in suavity; critical, but invested with unequivocal sincerity, which will cause him to be respected. The native will prefer country life and its freedom to the more varied but less thorough liberties of the town. It is a degree of *Robustness*.

20th degree.—Two men fencing with swords. A man in black stands aside watching them.

The native is born with a predisposition to disputes and quarrels, and he will be involved in some *fracas* in a foreign country, or with a foreigner. He will further be liable to hurts from secret enemies, and his life will be overshadowed by a melancholy fate. It is a degree of *Fighting*.

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Alan's Page.

ON January 3rd, I read a review of *Kabalistic Astrology* in the *Daily Chronicle*, in which the reviewer ridicules the science *we have proved* to be anything but insanity. The following day, I read in the *Daily Telegraph* that the Mikado had conferred the Grand Order of the Imperial Chrysanthemum upon the Emperor William. At first I smiled at its, to me, absurdity. Then I thought of the *Daily Chronicle* reviewer, and felt very foolish, for was I not in my mind ridiculing what I did not understand, and presently I discovered more beauty in a chrysanthemum than in a garter! So maybe there is more Soul in Astrology than Astronomy. The following is applicable:

INTELLECT OR WISDOM.

"Is intellect wisdom?" said a lady in a letter to me the other day, "if so, why do our cleverest men do the most foolish things?" Wisdom is the fruit of experience *realization* through all the being, feeling, mind, heart, and soul. Intellect is book knowledge communicated through the brain organ, and thus limited. When feeling and mind, or heart and brain, are *united*, then is "Wisdom justified of her children."

WILSON, THE ASTROLOGER.

The well-known astrologer, Wilson, of Caledonian Road, N., is dead. Neptune sends me a letter from his widow, who still resides at 103, Caledonian Road, N., in which she states her desire to dispose of Ephemeris, &c., for fifty years the couple lived together, and now she is in great need of some assistance from those astrologers who can spare a little toward making the remainder of her life something more than a burden. I shall be very glad to receive subscriptions on her behalf, or they may be sent direct to her at the above address. I may add that Wilson was a spiritualist.

A RARE CHANCE.

A subscriber, who is in want of some ready cash, wishes me to help him dispose of the following:—Hogarth's Works. *Original Edition* Plates. Engraved by himself. 153 fine plates, including the two well-known "suppressed plates," with elaborate letterpress descriptions, by J. Nichols, Elephant folio, excellent clear impressions. Published at £50. Elegantly half-bound, morocco, extra, full gilt back and gilt edges. London, 1822. What offers? The work goes to the highest bidder I understand.

Hindu Astrology,

AFTER PARASHARA.

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THE SIGNS OF THE ZODIAC.

FROM what has already been said, it will be seen that the Hindu zodiac is similar to our own, having twelve divisions of equal degrees to one another. The order of the signs is the same, and the natures of both the signs and their rulers are, in all essentials, the same as those obtaining among Western astrologers.

These signs have no symbols among the Hindus, who always suppose Aries to be in the first house, and merely mark the Ascendant (*Lagnam*) either by a line, or by the letter L. In the north of India, another system is in vogue; but all tends to the same end, viz., to determine the Rising Sign. From this, as a starting point, the rest of the signs are equally and uniformly distributed through the twelve houses, though there are no symbols to indicate the fact. At the present day, there are many astrologers in the north of India who use Tables of Houses, and indicate oblique ascension of the signs, but these are mere copyists of the more mathematical systems of the West. In the famous and most ancient of all Nâdis, the *Brighu Samhita*, numerous figures are given, but in none of them is any attention paid to oblique ascension.

The names of the zodiacal signs corresponding to ours are:—

Aries,	<i>Mesham</i>	Libra,	<i>Tulâm</i>
Taurus,	<i>Vrishabham</i>	Scorpio,	<i>Vrishchika</i>
Gemini,	<i>Mithuna</i>	Sagittary,	<i>Dhanus</i>
Cancer,	<i>Kâtakam</i>	Capricorn,	<i>Makaram</i>
Leo,	<i>Simha</i>	Aquarius,	<i>Kumbha</i>
Virgo,	<i>Kanya</i>	Pisces,	<i>Mînam</i>

The meanings of the Sanskrit words are the same as imported by the Latin names in use among ourselves.

THE HOUSES.

It is at this point that the Hindu system of Astrology really becomes perplexing to the European student. The great variety of seemingly unconnected things, attributed to the several houses by the Jyoshis, renders anything like a systematic statement of the rulership of the houses a matter of great difficulty.

It will simplify matters if, in this place, I draw out into prominence some of the points of contradiction between the two systems.

Among the elements of the first house, then, we find, among other things, the *Memory* is under its dominion. This would, probably, fall in the European system, to the third or ninth house, or perhaps the fourth or tenth, as being the second (wealth) of the third and ninth. And, truly, the things of the memory may be regarded as the *acquired property* of the mind, just as the second house denotes the acquired property of the physical man.

The five physical senses (*Gnanendriyas*) are attributed to this, the first, house also. But, observe, the *eyes* are ruled in the same system by the second house, the *ears* by the third house, and how the senses can be dissociated from their respective organs, I know not! In the same way, the Religion is said to be ruled by the first house, while all that constitutes it, and from which it is built up, comes under the ninth house, *e.g.*, education, temples, religious instruction, the "thread ceremony" (*upadesha*), the occult, or spiritual powers (*siddhis*), &c.

From these illustrations, it is quite evident that the modern writers have disturbed the original harmony and simplicity of the system, and I would therefore point out at once the remarkable and assuring fact that, with four exceptions, the system of Garga, Parāshara, and Bhṛigu—the more ancient Eastern astrologers—is identical with that followed by ourselves. These exceptions I shall now deal with.

The first exception of our system is the fourth house. This all Hindu astrologers uniformly attribute to the *mother*, and not the father, as we do. To my own mind, there is every evidence of the correctness of this arrangement, for the fourth house is the "angle of the earth," and the earth is the symbol of the *mother* in all mythologies. The connection of the gods with Gaia (earth) and the birth of the Heroes of the Greek Pantheon will recur to the reader in this connection. Then, again, the sign ♌, identified with the fourth, is the sign of the Moon (Juno-Lucina, Hevah, Eve, and Parvati), the universal symbol of the mother-principle in nature. The fourth house is, further, associated with the night, over which the Moon is said to rule, and the Night, as contra-distinguished from the Day, is feminine, *e.g.*, *Delilah* (ruler of the night) is the wife of *Samson* (the Sun). For these reasons, and others which will suggest themselves to the student, the fourth house more naturally signifies the mother than the father, and the Hindu system

in this instance appears to me to be more consonant with nature than our own.

The second exception is the tenth house, which, while indicating honor, fame, the family titles, and the profession, also denotes in the Hindu system, the *Father*. This latter conclusion naturally follows upon what has been said concerning the fourth house; and assuredly the tenth house, as identified with the noon-day, and the mid-heaven and with the Sun, the maker of the day, seems more naturally to signify the father than the mother, especially when it is remembered that the family titles—the *Dharma* (special occupation or magistracy)—and the honor of the native, follow the ancestral line on the father's side, and that none of these come through the mother, whose name changes with marriage, and from whom no titles descend. Moreover, the mid-heaven is mythically identified with Ouranos, the First of all the Gods, and father of Saturn (Kronos) the significator of Time itself. Surely, then, there is every reason to think that the Hindus, in giving the tenth house to *Shiva*, and the fourth to his divine spouse *Parvati*, indicated once for all the mundane relations of these houses from "the pattern of things in the Heavens;" and rightly denoted the father by the tenth house and the mother by the fourth.

The third exception falls in the sixth house, in the shape of enemies, which we attribute to the seventh house. But the seventh house is the house of partnerships, and such persons as we form alliances and contracts with; and chiefly the wife, the friend of our adversity, the protector of our children, our partner in joy and woe, our best friend and life-long confidant. Such is the true wife. How, then, does the seventh come to denote enemies? It is the result, in my opinion, of the astrologers having failed to take into consideration the corrupting influence of a malefic in the seventh. When those whom we have drawn nearest to us come to be corrupted by the evil planet, then assuredly they are our worst enemies. Then, too, the seventh house denotes such as are capable of afflicting us physically, and hence hurts and injuries result from the affliction of the significators by planets in the seventh house. The argument for the seventh house being that ruling "open enemies" would be: since the first house represents in a particular and special sense the personality of the native, the seventh, *which is opposed to it*, would denote enemies of the native.

But on the same lines one might argue that all the houses have their respective seventh, or opposition; and hence the "relatives"

signified by the third would have their open enemies in the ninth, and so on all round the circle. But when we come to the sixth house, we have a position in which even good planets are debilitated, a house of disease and sickness, of servitude and obscurity. This is far more fitting as a place of "enemies" than the seventh, which latter satisfies the law of Polarity in nature, and brings about harmonious alliances and unions.

The next exception, and the last, is that of the twelfth house, which, in common with ourselves, the Hindus regard as an *evil* house; but they likewise give *monetary losses* as ruled by this house, in connection with other things, whereas we should judge both gain and loss from the second. I must leave these points to the investigation of the student so far as they may apply to European systems of Astrology, and merely state here that they must be taken as principles of the Eastern system, and judgment must be made according to the statements above, viz., the fourth house for the mother, tenth for father, the sixth for enemies, and the twelfth for losses. All other affairs may be safely taken as ruled by the same houses as ascribed to them in the standard European works on the subject.

NOTE.—The Hindu *Trimurti*, or Deific Trinity, are astrologically denoted by the planets Saturn, Jupiter, and Mars. Brahma, from the root *Brih* "to expand," is the name for the Creator, or Deity, in the act of manifestation. Our words *Breath*, *Breathe*, express the same idea, and the act of manifestation in the Divine impulse is often referred to as the Mahâ-Swara, or Great Breath. Jupiter is called in Sanskrit *Brihaspati*, or the "Lord of Expansion." He it is who brings all things to fruition, and perfects every work of man. The wife of Brahma is *Saraswati*, the goddess of arts and sciences, of knowledge and education, represented by the planet Mercury in its female aspect. But Jupiter is also called *Guru*, the "preceptor" and spiritual teacher, and in this sense is related to the sign Sagittarius and the ninth house, which rules over religion and spiritual things, being Kabalistically the significator of the Spirit of Man, as the fifth house denotes the soul, and the first house the body. The image of the Sagittarius in this capacity is faithfully depicted in the *Apocalypse*, ch. iv., v. 11. It is well known that in the old institutes of the Aryans, the father was invariably the spiritual preceptor, or *guru*, of the eldest son, to whom he transmitted his *mantram* and spiritual heirloom at the time of death, and, as some believe, his *siddhis*, or psychic powers, also. This is why we have the anomaly of the ninth house ruling "the father" in the works of Varâha Mihira, who followed the ancient teachings of the more spiritual system of his predecessors. Observe also that the "joint family system" which constitutes the eldest son the head of the family and its branches in India to-day, is a relic of the ancient system of spiritual heredity; and as the fortunes of the family are merged in the horoscope of the eldest

born son, it follows that the *guru* and the *father* came to be judged of from the condition of the same house, viz., the ninth, and ♃ was the natural significator. In the name of Jupiter we have the *Deva-pitri* or *Deo-pitar* of the Hindus, the *Deus-pater* of the Latins, the *Jovah*, or *Jehovah*, of the Semites, and the "God-fathers" of the Christian baptism.

ASPECTS.

The aspects in Hindu Astrology are counted from sign to sign. There are no half-signs employed, as in the ♌ and ♍ of our system. The *trikonam*, or trine aspect, is the chief aspect, and the half-trikonam, or sextile, belongs to the same order. Both these are good. The *Kendra*, or square aspect, gives good results when good planets are so placed, and evil when the planets are evil. The method of signifying aspects is to refer to the number of signs from the significator which the aspecting body may hold. Thus: if the Sun be in the second house, and Venus in the third house of the figure, Venus is spoken of as in the second from the Sun, and third from *Lagnam* or Ascendant.

In the judgment of a figure the condition of the planets are taken by sign and house, *i.e.*, by essential and accidental dignities or debilities. The signs and their rulers we have already seen to be the same as with ourselves. The houses are also the same: *Kendra* (angular) first, fourth, seventh, and tenth; *Panapara* (succeedent) second, fifth, eighth, and eleventh; *Apokalima* (cadent) third, sixth, ninth, twelfth.

Of these houses the third, fifth, ninth, and eleventh are uniformly good; and the sixth, eighth, twelfth, evil. The first, second, fourth, seventh and tenth depend upon the planets occupying them. These aspects may be counted from any significator, and must not be restricted to the houses bearing those numerals in the figure itself. *Example*: Ascendant, Aquarius; Saturn in the eighth house of figure in the sign ♊, the Sun in Taurus in the fourth of the figure. Here ♋ is evil in regard to the first house; but, accidentally in good aspect to Sun, being in the fifth from that luminary. So that in judging of the things ruled by the fourth house, Saturn would be taken as favorable; but in relation to the things of the first house, unfavorable.

The planets Jupiter and Venus, Sun and Moon in the fourth from a significator are friendly, unless in their *neecham* or "fall;" while Saturn and Mars, Rahu and Ketu are evil, unless in their dignities.

It may be mentioned here that the sign ♎ is identified with Rahu and ♏ with Ketu, in which signs they are respectively strong.

The above remarks have reference to judgment from the Radix only.

In judging the general effects of the combination of the planets by

period and sub-period (a measure of time which will presently be given), the general rule in regard to the planetary relations is that of *temporal* position. Thus: all planets in the tenth, eleventh, twelfth, second, third, and fourth houses from the significator, and those also which (being themselves *good*) are in the same sign as the significator, are *benefic*; all other are *evil*. This is the simplest and surest rule that is known in all the books, and, if due allowance be made for the accidental and essential *strength* of the planets, a sure judgment can be given. Yet the essential or natural sympathies and antipathies of the planets among themselves must not be lost sight of, for a temporal relationship cannot entirely prevail against a natural and inherent one that is contrary to it. Nevertheless, experience will show that the radical affections are often swayed into temporal service that is contrary to their free or unconditioned nature; so that even Saturn may confer some benefits when in temporal benefic relations with its natural enemy the Moon; all of which will appear in illustration at the proper time and place.

(*To be continued*).

The Real Basis of Astrology.

[EXTRACT FROM "THE PATH."]

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THESE planets are all revolving at varying rates of speed around the Sun. Hence it follows that we upon the earth, in looking at the different planets, would always see them travelling in the same path across our apparent sky. That path, which extends about eight degrees on each side of the ecliptic, is called the zodiac.

COMPOSITION OF THE SUN.

If we proceed to view the different planetary bodies in a higher aspect than the merely astronomical, we shall find that they possess certain characteristics or properties which vary with their varying degrees of development. The Sun, for instance, has from time immemorial been known astrologically as the "giver of life." If this be a true denomination, then we must suppose that all life as it exists upon this, and doubtless upon other globes, is derived from the Sun. Life must come from some source, and certainly we cannot trace its origin anywhere on our earth. Yet the life principle is universally diffused,

and may be detected in a greater or less degree of development in every atom of matter, whether organic or inorganic. This would have been a bold statement to make in public only a very few years ago, but to-day it requires no argument, being generally admitted by the scientific world. Certainly the latest investigations of physicists tend to corroborate the ancient astrological theory of the origin of life. It is now conceded that the photosphere of the Sun is not composed of fire as was so long supposed, but is a magnetic or electric envelop. Nor is it very difficult to believe that the phenomenon called life is a certain phase or differentiation of the same mysterious force which in its lowest physical manifestation is known as electricity. In an article on the "Source of Heat in the Sun," in the *Popular Science Monthly*, Mr. Robert Hunt, F.R.S., wrote as follows:—

"Arago proposed that this envelop should be called the Photosphere, a name now generally adopted. By the elder Herschel the system of this photosphere was compared to mother-of-pearl. It resembles the ocean on a tranquil summer-day, when its surface is slightly crisped by a gentle summer breeze. Mr. Nasmyth has discovered a more remarkable condition than any that had previously been suspected, objects that are peculiarly lens-shaped like willow-leaves, different in size, not arranged in any order, crossing each other in all directions, with an irregular motion among themselves. The size of these objects gives a grand idea of the gigantic scale upon which physical operations are carried out in the Sun. They cannot be less than 1,000 miles in length, and from 200 to 300 miles in breadth. The most probable conjecture which has been offered respecting those leaf or lens-like objects is that the photosphere is an immense ocean of gaseous matter in a state of high incandescence, and that they are perspective projections of the sheets of flame. . . . But regarding Life—Vital Force—as a power far more exalted than either light, heat, or electricity, and, indeed, capable of exerting a controlling power over them all, we are certainly disposed to view with satisfaction that speculation which supposes the photosphere to be the primary seat of vital power, and to regard with a poetic pleasure that hypothesis which refers the solar energies to life."

From the above statement it may be seen how modern science treads upon the heels of ancient wisdom, Astrology having always denominated the Sun as "hyleg," the giver of life.

SIGNIFICANCE OF THE OTHER PLANETS.

In the admission of this hypothesis of life as emanating from the Sun, we have at once stepped beyond and outside of the physical and material aspect of the great luminary. If all life proceeds from him, then each individual life must also depend upon the common origin, and we are launched upon the sea of Astrology. The direct connection between the Sun, 93,000,000 miles distant, upon the health, and consequently to that extent upon the destiny, of every human being, is established. But the influence of other planets upon the inhabitants of the earth is less easy of comprehension. Yet even here the law of analogy may hold to some extent. If the Sun has an acknowledged effect upon all of earth's people, the other planets should also possess some influence, even though in a varying degree. Notwithstanding their varying size, it is well known that the power of their attraction is sufficient to cause a considerable variation in the eccentricity of the earth's orbit, and if they possess such influence on the physical plane, why should they not have as much, or even greater, influence upon the astral or psychic plane? Astrology teaches that such is the case, and assigns to each planet a certain kind and degree of such influence. Thus the planet which we familiarly know as Mercury has in all ages, and in all nations, and in all languages stood as the representative of wisdom. In Sanskrit he was called Buddha, Lord of Wisdom; in Iranian or Chaldæan, Nebo, knowledge; in Egyptian, Thoth, or thought. On account of his proximity to the Sun, he was said to receive seven times as much light and life as the earth. In modern exoteric Astrology he governs the constructive, the inventive, the intuitive faculty, which finds expression in literary or commercial excellence. Originality, at least such originality as can be said to exist, comes from Mercury, the "messenger of the gods."

In Venus is again exemplified the wonderful symbolism of the East. Hindu Astrology from the earliest times considered this planet as having two aspects, in one being known as Sukra, the bright, the shining, and in the other and lower aspect as Usanas, desire. In these names are allegorized the dual and differing influences which Venus exercises upon humanity. In her higher aspect she is the "lesser fortune" of exoteric Astrology, shedding a mild and benevolent ray upon the soul of man, inclining him to the gentler affections of family and kindred, and the ties of friendship and social intercourse. She thus lightens up a world otherwise dark, and too often full of sorrow and care. But in

her character as Usanas she typifies the lower form of desire, which, carried to excess, leads to so much misery and wrong. This is the true explanation of the influence of Venus. Later astrologers lost the key and confused her significations. Sukra-Usanas became Lucifer-Venus, and the dual name was thought to refer only to her appearance at various seasons in the year as evening and as morning star. The name Venus was derived directly from Usanas, and Sukra, the shining one, became Lucifer, the bright, the morning-star. And then, last of all, the church took a hand and formulated a theory or, rather, a myth—whichever you choose to call it—still further degrading the noble conception of the early Aryan star-gazers. She decided that, as the loftier aspect of Venus had disappeared from Latin Astrology and only the grosser aspect prevailed, Lucifer should be considered as a fallen angel, as a basis for the myth of Satan, in fact; and that idea has descended to the present day among even the orthodox Protestants who are not generally aware of its Romanist origin.

In the name of Jupiter is found an argument for the Hindu claim to the invention of Astrology. The Latin word "Jupiter" is borrowed from Greek mythology, where the father of the gods is called "Zeus pater," but this is manifestly a direct copy from the Sanskrit "Dyaus pitar," father of heaven, an epithet of Indra. The word "Zeus" has no meaning, but "Dyaus" in Sanskrit has a very definite interpretation. The root "div" means "to shine," and hence its application to the sky. Our word "day" is directly evolved from it. In the same way the Aryans, reverencing the sky with all its starry host, came to regard it as "divine," and "dyaus," which originally meant bright and shining, passed into Greek as Zeus, the god of gods. Astrology very appropriately considers Jupiter as governing the religious faculty in Man, and he also indicates judgment and reason. He is the greater benefic, and his influence under favorable directions is always for the highest and most permanent good. The Sun may bring glory, and Mercury may induce fame, but Jupiter confers more lasting and substantial benefits by penetrating the inner nature and stimulating the spiritual growth.

In Saturn we have the antithesis of Jupiter. He is the "greater infortune," and, indeed, to his baleful influence may be traced nearly all of the misfortune with which humanity is afflicted. The name "Saturn" can be traced to Sut, or Sut-Typhon, the dragon of Egyptian

mythology, the evil spirit, the spirit of darkness, from which Christianity educated the conception of the devil, even borrowing the very name and calling this personage Satan. Yet Saturn did not originate in Egypt. Like almost every other important mythical idea and metaphysical thought, we can trace this one back to India, where Asita, the evil one, means literally that which is black. To this day in exoteric Astrology Saturn always represents a dark person. And even such a simple, everyday word as soot, in English, the black particles of smoke deposited in chimneys, comes from the same ancient source. So, too, Saturn's day has always been the seventh day of the week in all nations and all languages. Among the Egyptians Sut-Typhon was so dreaded that his day was set apart for special prayer and worship, a custom which was subsequently taken up by the Hebrews and continued by them up to the present time.

The etymology of Mars is equally interesting. Of course we are familiar with its Greek form, "Ares," which doubtless came from the Egyptian Artes. Yet neither of these names has any inherent significance. It is only when we again refer to the Sanskrit that light appears. Here the name appears as Ava, and it means primarily a corner, an angle, hence anything sharp or cutting. This gives us the key to the influence of Mars. He is not peaceful and pleasant, but quarrelsome and sudden. He presides over battles as the Roman god of war, and in sickness he produces violent and sharp attacks, such as fevers and apoplexy. All lingering diseases are due to Saturn. Therefore is Mars termed the "lesser infortune." The good aspects of Mars, however, confer advancement in military life, and sometimes even produce marriage, but in the latter case there is seldom any real affection, marriage being suddenly brought about by an influx of mere passion. It is an aphorism in Astrology that people born with Mars in Aries on the Ascendant always have a scar upon the face.* The reason for this is said to be that when Mars comes exactly to the Ascendant he causes an accident, and as Aries rules the head, it will take the form of some cut or bruise which will show through life upon the countenance.

Although the earth is not usually considered in exoteric Astrology to have any influence, at least upon the lives of its own inhabitants, it may be interesting to know that our planet, like the others, possesses

* This does not always hold good.—Ed.

marked characteristics. How gratifying it would be to us if we could only define those characteristics as being of a lofty and noble order. But, alas! such is not the case. From the most ancient times the earth has stood for all that is ignoble, and material, and base and unspiritual. In order not to offend the susceptibilities of people, dwellers upon this globe—"of the earth earthy"—Astrology has kindly cast a veil over our weakness, and hidden under the disguise of an assumed name the symbol which designates our planet and its influence. The term "Part of Fortune" expresses to a limited degree the nature of that influence. It does, indeed, represent the merely temporal prosperity of the native. It measures, so to speak, the exact size of the pile of dollars or other kinds of money and property which each person is able to accumulate in a lifetime. The existence of the Part of Fortune is disputed by some modern astrologers on the ground that it is purely a figment of the imagination, yet Claudius Ptolemy laid great stress upon it, and as he derived his rules from Egyptian and Chaldæan predecessors, it would seem as though there must be some foundation for it.

HELIOCENTRIC AND GEOCENTRIC ASTROLOGY.

The mere fact of the Part of Fortune, or Earth, being included in all ancient horoscopes is an indication that at one time Astrology was based upon the heliocentric system.* According to the present geocentric theory which constructs a horoscope about the earth as a centre, it would seem absurd to introduce the same Earth again in the same horoscope as a planet or satellite of itself. Yet, if at a remote epoch the heliocentric system was in vogue, the Earth would certainly figure along with Mars, Venus, and the other planets. And if, then, at a subsequent period the science was purposely or ignorantly muddled by being changed into a geocentric scheme, the Earth might very naturally survive as a feature of the horoscope, changed, only in name, to the Part of Fortune.

The principal objection urged against Astrology at the present day is the fact that it implies a geocentric arrangement of the Heavens. We all know how Copernicus revolutionized modern Astronomy by introducing, or perhaps revamping, the heliocentric theory, and everyone knows what a tremendous step forward was thus taken in our knowledge and understanding of the movement of all bodies in our

* What evidence is there that the "Part of Fortune" was ever intended to represent our earth? We think it has a different significance.—Ep.

solar system. And it is therefore quite natural to denounce Astrology as false because it still adheres to the geocentric arrangement. Yet the comparison is not entirely perfect. We mortals are dwelling upon this Earth, and according as the other planets revolve and focus upon us their rays, so are we, according to the astrological theory, affected. So, to all intents and purposes, we may truly consider them as circling around the earth as a centre, and in that fashion construct our horoscopes. If we were living upon Mars, it would be equally appropriate to place Mars in the centre, and likewise if we were denizens of the Sun we would put the Sun in the centre, in which case we would have truly and as a matter of fact a system of heliocentric Astrology.

I have brought forward this view of the subject to show that Astrology should not be condemned solely on account of its geocentric proclivities, and to answer the criticism of R. A. Proctor and other scientific writers. Yet, having made that defence, I am ready to admit that the Astrology of the future will probably be heliocentric. The cycles and epicycles of Ptolemy answered their purpose for fifteen hundred years, and afforded a tolerably reasonable account of the motions of the planets. So, too, and perhaps in a yet greater degree, geocentric Astrology has fulfilled the necessary conditions of horoscopy. Various attempts, on the other hand, have been made to construct a heliocentric system, but so far without a success.

PRECESSION OF THE EQUINOXES.

Another objection frequently brought against Astrology is the fact that by means of the precession of the equinoxes the signs of the zodiac have since the time of Ptolemy passed entirely out of the constellations after which they were named. This appears to be a more difficult question to meet than the previous one. Yet Ptolemy was fully aware of this constant change in the position of the signs, for he distinctly provided in the *Tetrabiblos* for this contingency. He said in Book I, Chap. xii. :

“The beginning of the whole zodiacal circle (which in its nature as a circle can have no other beginning or end capable of being determined) is, therefore, assumed to be the sign Aries which commences at the vernal equinox.”

It will thus be seen that Ptolemy, and doubtless other astrologers before him, considered the influence of the zodiacal signs as belonging

to the places which they occupied, and not to the stars of which they were composed.

Ashmand says: "He (Ptolemy) has expressly and repeatedly declared that the point of the vernal equinox is ever the beginning of the zodiac, and that the thirty degrees following it ever retain the same virtue as that which he has in this work attributed to Aries, although the stars forming Aries may have quitted those degrees. The next thirty degrees are to be accounted as Taurus, and so of the rest. There is abundant proof throughout the *Tetrabiblos* that Ptolemy considered the virtues of the constellations of the zodiac as distinct from the spaces they occupied."

DIRECTIONS AND TRANSITS.

Predictions in Astrology are based upon three kinds of aspects, which are known respectively as primary and secondary directions and local transits. These follow an obscure and inexplicable law of cycles, and, while apparently distinct, are in reality greatly dependent upon each other; so much so, that if an astrologer consults but one kind, he will obtain very unsatisfactory and uncertain results. Primary directions depend upon the revolution of the earth upon its own axis every twenty-four hours. In that time each planet apparently travels completely around us, making a circuit of three hundred and sixty degrees. As in twenty-four hours these pass over the meridian, three hundred and sixty degrees, in one hour they will pass over fifteen degrees, and one degree being equal to one-fifteenth of an hour is therefore equivalent to four minutes. One degree of right ascension is considered equal to one year of time. Hence an error of four minutes in the time of birth will cause an error of one degree of right ascension or of one whole year in the subsequent life of the native. This is why it is so essential to know the exact moment of birth before drawing up a horoscope, or at least before attempting to forecast future events. And the lack of this information has been the cause of so many failures of astrologers in the past to accurately predict important occurrences. Fortunately there are rules by which the exact moment of birth may be ascertained and the truth of primary directions vindicated.

It is comparatively easy to compute secondary directions. They are said to be "merely the aspects formed by the Sun or Moon within a few weeks after birth by their proper motion in longitude in the Heavens." But this definition fails to convey any meaning to the ordinary reader.* I would add in explanation that, following the same

* It is Mr. Pearce's definition.—Ed.

law of cycles as is manifested in primary directions, although in a slightly different aspect, each day succeeding birth is considered as equivalent to a year of subsequent life. Thus the tenth day after birth will show events that will happen in the tenth year, the twentieth day the twentieth year, and so on. Secondary directions indicate affairs of secondary importance, yet whose effects last several weeks or months, while primary directions denote the greater occurrences and epochs of a career, frequently extending over a series of years, during which time a person is said to be uniformly lucky or unlucky as the case may be.

(To be continued.)

Review.

"NATAL ASTROLOGY." By G. Wilde and J. Dobson. Ten Shillings.

This work will be of considerable interest to astrologers, as it comprises a great deal of information and several most interesting horoscopes. It is impossible to give an adequate account of a book of fifty-two chapters within the compass of a short review, and I am quite safe in referring all those who do not wish to let slip any interesting record of the celestial science to the volume itself. I notice that on page 6, the authors have "exalted" ♄ in II. I should much like to know their method of distinguishing between exaltation and house, for I confess to being sceptical over the domiciles and dignities of the eccentric planet.

Mercury is (p. 7) placed among the "fortunes." I am informed that by many Hindus this planet is always regarded as more or less malefic, because of its connection with Virgo and the sixth house.

I notice (p. 91) a little slip, where a *lady's natus* is spoken of. The feminine of *natus* is *nata*.

The horoscope of Samuel Taylor Coleridge is given (p. 161) with 13 ♄ 47 rising. According to my reckoning, the Ascendant would be nearer 16 ♄. Have not the authors forgotten the distinction between sidereal and clock time?

"The fourth house represents the father, the tenth the mother," (p. 102). The Hindus exactly reverse these significations, and I am strongly inclined to agree with them.

The horoscopes of twenty-four eminent men, at the end of the book, will be most useful for reference, as most of them are not available in any other modern work. But, I think, the authors would have increased the value of this part of the book if—in addition to the comments—a few biographical data had been added in each case: *e.g.*, date of marriage, number of children, date and nature of death, with a few particulars of important events. It is true that, as the subjects are well known, the reader may do this for himself, but it may be very inconvenient to some readers.

The valuable essay by "A. G. Trent" on the *Soul and the Stars* is reprinted at the end of the book, with some additions.

I am sorely tempted to pause and dispute the soundness of "A. G. Trent's" arguments on the subject of Astrology and Re-incarnation—though I agree with them in part—but this is obviously not the place for such a discussion.

"LEO."

Notes on Recent Events.

The entrance of Saturn into Scorpio coincided with earthquakes in Argentine; the fixed signs are known as earthquake producing. Since the entry of the greater malefic into this sign, a number of eminent people have died, viz.:—Princess Bismark at Varzin, 27th November, 5 a.m.; Anton Rubenstein, the eminent musician, on 20th November, of heart disease, born 30th November, 1829; Ferdinand de Lesseps, the celebrated artificer of the Suez Canal and the Panama attempt, 7th December, he was born 10th November, 1805; the Canadian Premier, Sir John Thompson, died very suddenly at Windsor Castle on 12th December, after an audience with the Queen; M. Burdeau, President of the French Chamber of Deputies, on 12th December; Robert Louis Stevenson, the eminent novelist, died of apoplexy at Samoa, at 8 a.m., 4th December, he was born 13th November, 1850, at Edinburgh; Sir E. Lechmere, M.P., died suddenly of epilepsy, on 18th December; the Bishop of Hereford died 24th December.

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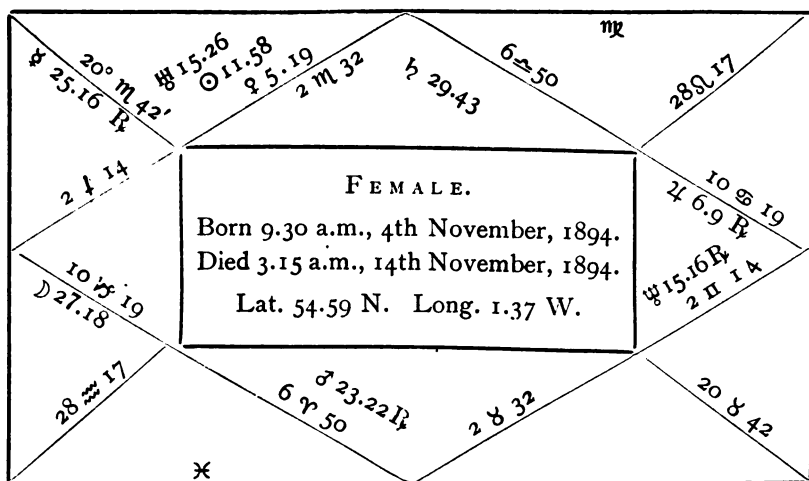
The "excitement in parliamentary circles," which we predicted for December, was fulfilled. At the opening of the German Reichstag early in the month, some Socialist Members refused to join the (official) cheer for the Kaiser, and so roused great indignation. The Reichstag was asked to prosecute the members who had thus offended his Almightyness, but a prompt refusal was returned; whereupon the Government resolved to prosecute them themselves. On 12th December, the sudden death of Sir John Thompson at Windsor Castle, after audience with the Queen, caused a great deal of excitement in Canada, of which country he was Premier. Two bye-elections were lost by Lord Rosebery's Government. On 14th December, the Italian Parliament was prorogued suddenly after only a few days work, and a general election will follow in the spring. The Hungarian Premier, Dr. Wekerle, although supported by a majority of the nation, resigned on account of the Emperor's hostility to the Cabinet.

Letters to the Editor.

Letters of general interest alone are inserted. Correspondents desiring reply must please enclose a stamped addressed envelope.

All correspondents should give full name and address, not necessarily for publication, but as a token of good faith.

DEAR SIR,—Enclosed is figure of birth of child born on the 4th November, 1894, and which died on the 14th November, 1894, from bronchitis. It will be observed that the Moon, ruler of the eighth, is detrimented, and heavily afflicted by ♂, lord of the fourth, ♀ in the fourth, in his own cardinal sign, ♂ just left 8 of ♀; the ♀ also receiving ☿ ☿ from ♀ (♂). The ☿ is applying to ♂ ☿ in ♀. ♀, ruler of the first, is on the cusp of the eighth ♀, and ♀ is applying to the ☿ position by ♀ motion in the 12th. ♀, ruler of the sixth, is badly placed and combust.



☉ ♂ ♄ (applying) and Par.

♄ * ♀ R, sep. ☐ ♂ R, ☐ ♀, ☐ ♄ R, Par. 24 and 8.

Rather a bad time to be born!

Yours truly,

♄ Δ 24.

DEAR SIR,—I am obliged to "Leo" for his reply to my letter, and am pleased to learn that we shall shortly have a book from him on the subject. I think "Sephariel" mistook my point, as he has illustrated my statement that an epoch can always be found whether a birth took place or not at the time named. In the case I mentioned, I obtained the same Ascendant as he does, but this does not suit the boy. But the learned astrologer must have inadvertently used the London tables, for I cannot see any error in my statement that this makes the time of birth 6.16 p.m.

I should like to once more ask questions. Will not some able contributor occasionally work out a nativity in *A. M.* by the Kabalistic Method? "Sephariel's" book does not explain how we are to allow for marriage when a girl changes her name. Does the Revolutionary figure show time, *i.e.* can you read it in order, beginning at the month of birth? Some of the figures I have tested suggest this, but then some of the symbols appear figure after figure. Another difficulty. In a horoscope I have just drawn the Sun is in 30° Aquarius. Aquarius is then in the first house, though really it is nearly wholly in the 12th! This difficulty seems great when we take the Revolutionary, for surely that figure will not hold for the year, and the rising of Herschel will mean that all the symbols are displaced into other houses, or else the entire figure, etc., be drawn afresh. Query, which?

I find such difficulty in determining the state of the lord of the house of a lunar point that I feel confident that other amateurs will also welcome examples in the magazine.

I am, Sir, Yours sincerely,

J. W.

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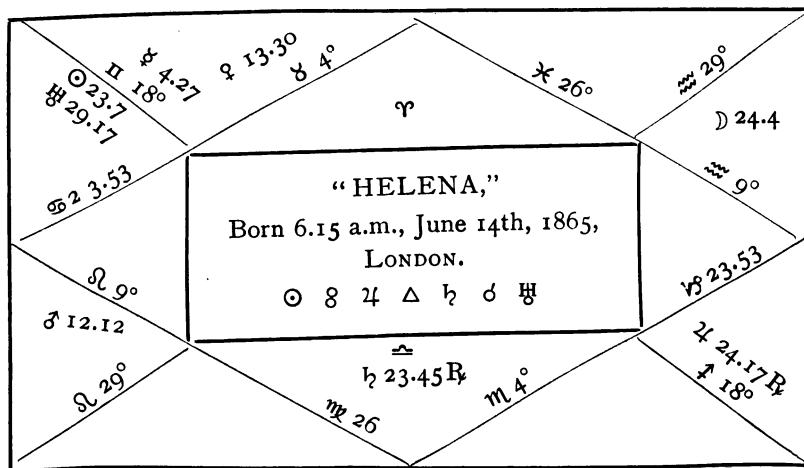
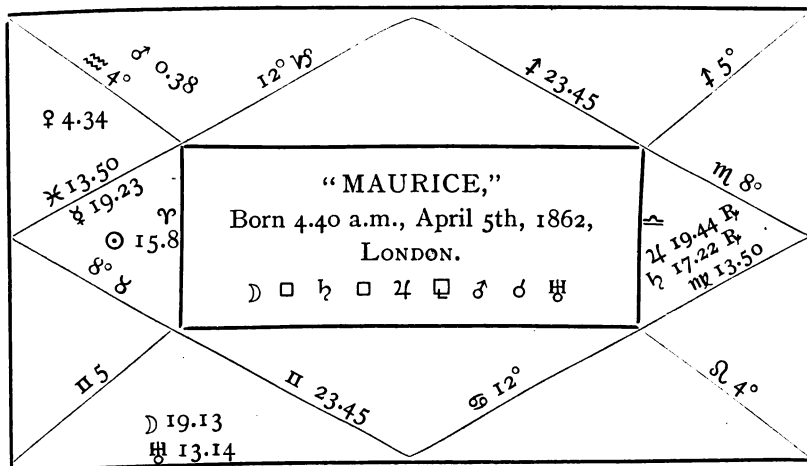
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Marriage.

BY ALAN-LEO.

(Continued from page 149).



A GAIN I shall introduce a couple, who I knew many years before their marriage; and in whose affairs I became unfortunately mixed through no fault of my own. The female "Helena" I first met at the house of a friend in the spring of 1882, she had then no less than five ardent suitors — I was not one of them—each bent on winning her favor, and each having one day in the week allotted to him, in which he might, undisturbed, press his suit, but Sunday was a general meeting day, in which the struggle was hard for the evening walk.

Now "Helena" enjoyed this fun quite as much as presumedly did the lovers, she was a pretty girl with jet black hair, and eyes as dark as night, with a bright twinkle in them that few of the opposite sex could resist. No wonder then she had so many lovers. And not only was she pretty, but she danced and sang without the slightest affectation, she had a lunar nature and a warm heart, and apparently deserved a better fate than that which befell her. Now, of all the knights who sought to win her, her fancy only fell on one, and he the fairest of them all, they called him "Maurice." The parents had told me all the history of their daughter's fascination, and I had become especially interested when it was hinted that "Maurice" was the "Dark Horse," and, for the benefit of my astrological studies, I was not slow in taking notes, but I bought a little of my experience rather dearly.

There is generally much sympathy between those persons whose luminaries hold the same place in the zodiac, and you will observe on reference to our joint maps that the degree that contains the Sun in the "Maurice" horoscope, also is the place of my Moon. Now this "Dark Horse" scarce knew whether to view me in the light of a rival or a friend, for with lovers all is hopes and fears, but I tried my best to set his mind at rest on this score, and ventured one unlucky day to suggest that "Helena" was simply a little flirt, and not worth a man's earnest consideration. I had just reached my majority, and was very world-wise in my own estimation, alas! Had I been in France, or some other foreign country, it would have been "coffee for one and pistols for two," as it was "Maurice" bid me choose my weapon, and I, believing the pen to be mightier than the sword, chose it, and wrote this "Gallant" that I was sorry I spoke, yet as I only advised for his good, I still believed he would live to

repent his bargain, for the stars and my intuition had told me enough to know that he was not the best man for my friend's daughter. My letter only added fresh fuel to his anger so that he actually "cut me," and we met at the evening drawing-room as utter strangers; but such is fate, after all, through me, he married "Helena." Between the date of their marriage and my first meeting with them this couple had agreed to differ, and a lover's quarrel divided them for a year, and in the meantime a fresh rival had appeared upon the scene. I had lost sight of them for a time, and on my renewing the acquaintance, I took up the thread of the love story. It appears that this new suitor was more persistent than the rest, and to add to his energy he claimed some distant relationship with the family.

The plan adopted by the parents of "Helena" has always seemed to me a good one, for, as the mother once remarked to me, we can then see who our daughter keeps company with, and all danger is avoided, for we can watch and advise when necessary, and if the young man is ashamed to show his face, then he is not of much account, but even these precautions do not avert the hand of fate; but knowledge may help us to mitigate the evils that we ourselves have undoubtedly created, and in this case it saved the trouble before marriage—that is shown by the square of the lord of the fifth with Venus.

Now the manner in which the marriage with "Maurice" arose, was this—The last comer had discovered that "Maurice" ran favorite, and considering all to be fair in love and war, he hatched a plot, and, in method, he laid his plans very cleverly. His scheme was to keep "Maurice" from seeing "Helena," and by spreading evil report he succeeded. The youth's name was Batch, he had been to sea for five or six years, and on his return from his last voyage he fell in love with his pretty cousin "Helena," and this decided him to remain on shore, and, after spending all his cash upon her, he had to seek employment on land, which he did not have much trouble to obtain. His plan then was to lodge with the parents of "Maurice." Then, having done this, to carry false reports from one to the other. He told his cousin that "Maurice" was going to marry a ballet-dancer named "Bella," and his friend that "Helena" had decided not to renew the engagement, and also that she never wished to see him again, in the meantime pressing his own suit with hopeful vigour.

Now it was the Christmas of 1885 that this family invited me to

spend the day with them, and I had promised to look in during the evening. Their gatherings were always enjoyable ones, and this I felt sure would be no exception. But somehow I had my misgivings about young Batch and his love affair, and I had been informed that he would make a final plunge for the hand, if not the heart, of his bewitching cousin. But as the days flew on amidst the whirl of my very active business life, I had forgotten all about the Morants and their affairs. It was drawing near Christmas—it would be about a week previous—when leaving my office to take lunch, I accidentally ran into the arms of “Maurice.” After recovering our mutual surprise, I would persist in his joining me at my usual café, and then began the unravelling of the plot. “Have you seen anything of the Morants lately?” I said quite unwittingly. “Oh! no,” he replied, “haven’t you heard that it is all off?” and then I remembered. “Yes,” I said, “I suppose young Batch will marry her soon after Christmas.” “What!” he exclaimed, with a look of astonishment, “Batch! why, surely no! You must be mistaken; he does not visit them now.” “All right,” I said, “I know positively he will be there on Christmas Eve.” Then, between mutterings of something like “Villain” and “Traitor,” I heard the queer story of Batch’s deceit. I felt deeply for “Maurice,” and to circumvent the rascal’s villainy, I also conceived a plot.

Now, “‘Maurice,’” I said, “cheer up, old fellow. If you have got any pluck in you, we will be a match for young artful Batch. Are you game to dress up in female attire, and come with me on Christmas Eve. I promise you we shall escape detection. Have a clean shave (he possessed about nine hairs on the upper lip!). Then I will introduce you as an old maiden aunt of mine, and put you in a corner by yourself, so that you can watch this gay deceiver, and if all goes well, I will acquaint the mother of ‘Helena’ of the plot, and she in turn can tell her daughter, if she thinks it wise.” And then we parted, fully determined to carry the whole into effect.

The eventful Christmas Eve arrived. I was bubbling over with anticipation. It would be nearly seven o’clock when at the arranged meeting place I espied “my maiden aunt.” The make-up was perfection, and his love had been equal to the occasion. We at once made our way to the evening party, “Maurice” a little dubious as to the result, I feeling sure of success, and so it turned out. I introduced “my maiden aunt” to the lady of the house only, and secured for her

an obscure corner, and then proceeded to carry out my original plan. Meanwhile, the fun rose high. Young Batch, all unsuspecting, was in his glory. This decided me. I at once laid the details before the mother, and won her sympathy on our behalf. Now, it appeared that "Helena" was dreading the proposal that she knew must come from her cousin, for the imprint of "Maurice" upon her heart had not entirely faded, so it was decided to let her quietly into the secret, and obtain her consent to spring the mine upon Batch, and, somewhat to our surprise, this was readily obtained.

Now, to make a grand success of our scheme, I gave it out that, as it was drawing near the witching hour of midnight, "my maiden aunt," who, I whispered, must be a witch, would tell the fortunes of anyone present who cared to consult her, but those who did not must cross her hand with silver. The greatest secrecy would be observed, and only one client at the time would be admitted into this wonderful lady's presence. Soon the fun began. My poor aunt was inundated with questions, "When shall I marry," of course, being most prominent. At last came the wanted couple. "Helena" led young Batch, decked out in paper costume, to the fortune-teller, who was thickly veiled. "Now," said Batch, "come, sweet witch, shall I marry my pretty cousin?" "No," said my aunt, in a gruff voice, "you are a base deceiver." "Oh! and where did you learn such startling news?" "From your own lips," spoke the oracle once more, but it was rather shaky, and as I stood close by I guessed the explosion was not far off. "Well, come now, when shall we marry, O! wise woman of Endor?" ejaculated Batch. "Never," hissed "Maurice," as he tore off the veil of Maya. It was a scene never to be forgotten. Batch turned pale. "What, you here?" he muttered, "Why, what does it mean?" "Simply this," said "Maurice," as quietly as he could speak, "you are a cur?"

I need not go any further into the facts of the case. Explanations followed, and "Maurice" once more paid his addresses to "Helena," this time with success. They were married on the August Bank-Holiday of 1886. Batch went off to sea again, a sadder and, I am sure, a much wiser man. He has since found a lady who I hope has long since healed his heart. Now, I am sorry to have to chronicle the fact that the marriage between "Maurice" and "Helena" has not been a very happy one. Ill-luck has pursued them both. They have three

children. The first was born at 10.45 a.m., May 12th, 1887, a boy; the next at 2.45 p.m., January 2nd, 1889, a girl; and the last, a boy, on the 25th of September, 1890.

On January 5th, 1894, "Helena" entered the workhouse with her three children, so as to make the father support them. He fetched them from the workhouse, and deserted the mother for nearly a year. I have just heard that they again came together toward the close of November last year. May we hope that they have profited by the bitter experience.

Towards the close of these articles I will refer to this case. In the meantime, students should work out the directions, for I have given the bare facts only. I do not myself even know the directions for their marriage, or the separation. I only know that his Moon first applies to the square of Jupiter in the seventh, and that Saturn is lord of her seventh in the fourth. Students will benefit by seeking the causes of things for themselves, and so for the present I leave this case, hoping they will do so.

[The ♃ was omitted in the map for "John," given last month; it should be $17^{\circ} \simeq 56'$.]

(To be continued.)

Palmistry Astrologised.

BY "VIOLA."

(Continued from page 146).

THE mount of the Sun, found at the root of the third finger, when well developed, with one deep line upon it uncrossed, shows love of art and beauty, poetry, painting and sculpture, spiritual desire and aspirations, life and energy of the inner man—the interior force and recuperative power of the solar type. This mount shows the magnetic or electric condition; if flat and undeveloped, very little electricity or vital force is there, and *vice versa*! In excess, it gives love of pomp and extravagant notions, vanity and boastings. Absent, materiality, a life without color, a day without sunlight.

The mount of Mercury (at the base of little finger) well defined, indicates quickness, great activity (mentally especially), ability for science, literature, and oratory, and, together with the line of intuition—which I shall dwell upon later—indicates occult ability and a love of the same.

This mount well developed, with a good mount of the Sun and

Jupiter, gives true wisdom. Many squares and cross-lines, with a poor mount of Jupiter, shows theft, falsehood, and intrigue; when very flat, not much mind. This mount is badly developed in the hands of idiots and half-witted people.

You can gauge the mental powers very greatly by this mount. Seen large and clear on the hand of an uneducated person, you will find they have risen in life, unaided, by their own innate quickness of apprehension and perception. They cognise, understand, and do; like quicksilver, they are ever in movement, and find it difficult to be still. They are of the Mercurial type, and Mercury in heathen Mythology is called the "Winged messenger of the Gods."

Jupiter's mount (base of first finger) may be said to be the first mount or the *guide*. It is at the root of index finger. It points the way, and has greatly to do with morality, conscience, truth. It is the uplifter, the better self; it ever shows nobility, will power, judgment and reason, as well as kindness, generosity, and religion—in short, a good disposition. It is a powerful aid and help, and when the mounts, and hand generally, are very indifferent, this mount overcomes much evil. It makes a person just, with consideration for the rights of others; also pleasant, winning, and entertaining. Its absence is a very bad sign; it is rarely found wanting, except in the case of a very bad hand and character. This mount absent is ever the worst augury, spiritually and morally, as well as materially. Sometimes the mounts are found irregularly placed when this is the case, and if one should lean towards the other, it takes on some of the qualities of the mount which it invades; for instance, Jupiter running into Saturn's mount shows generosity overcoming selfishness, truth and morality overcoming deception and subtlety.

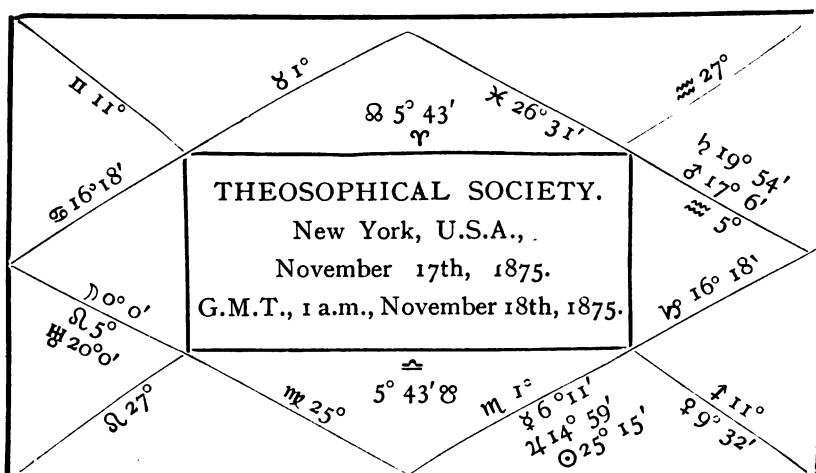
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In connection with the affliction of the mid-heaven may be noted the death of Lord Randolph Henry Spencer Churchill (to give him his full name), at 6.15 a.m. London, on 24th January, 1895. He was born 13th February, 1849, and died of a form of paralysis. At the time of his death the Sun was in dexter square to Saturn, a mid-heaven malefic aspect. At the moment of death, the Moon was rising in Capricorn, on the place of his natal Mars. His progressed Mars had arrived at the conjunction of his radical Sun forty-six days after birth. I should conjecture him to be born with Mars rising in Capricorn.

The Theosophical horoscope.

NO horoscope, perhaps, can be of such extreme interest, at the present juncture, to at least a large community interested more or less in matters appertaining to the now well-ploughed field of mysticism, than the horoscope of the Theosophical Society.

According to data afforded by the President-Founder of the Society (Colonel H. S. Olcott), the inaugural meeting was held at New York on the evening of the 17th day of November, 1875, at about 8 p.m. Careful research establishes this statement as substantially correct, the true epoch falling only a minute or two later. The following is the figure of the Society's horoscope :—



It will be at once seen that the horoscope bears a strong resemblance to that of Madame Blavatsky, at whose instance the Society was formed. The same sign and nearly the same degree is rising.

The figure is undoubtedly an evil one, the Moon being decrescant and going to the square of Mercury, ruler of the fourth and twelfth houses, then to the square of Jupiter, ruling the sixth and tenth, and next to the opposition of Mars, ruling the tenth and fifth; to the opposition of Saturn, ruling the seventh and eighth (in the eighth), and so on to the ♄ of ♄ in the second, and the ☐ of Sun in fifth, ruler of second.

During thirty years it meets only one good aspect, viz., the Δ of Venus on the cusp of the sixth, ruling the eleventh and fourth, in the tenth year of its career.

The second house (finance) is badly aspected both by the planets Saturn and Mars to ♄, and by ☉ (ruler of second) in ☐ to all the malefics. Under good directions its financial affairs would receive sudden and unexpected help, coming by means of occasional gifts and legacies from "eccentrics," and, in general, the planet Uranus in the second shows gain by peculiar means; yet at all times fraught with troubles, and bringing no "unmixed blessing" to the Society.

The satellitium in the fifth shows "the rising generation" to be chiefly the source of its influence, and as the majority of the involved planets are in the sign Scorpio, an eminently "occult" sign, the augury had special signification of the element of attraction. But that many defections would take place is certain from the fact of these planets being so highly afflicted.

Jupiter is of little assistance to the Sun, as the square rays of all the malefics, Saturn, Mars and Uranus are interposed between them.

Saturn and Mars in the eighth house besides indicating serious deaths among persons ruled by the fifth and tenth — pupils and their teacher, or if you will, "aspirants" ruled by the fifth, and their "heirophant" ruled by the tenth—also denotes the destruction of the Society, whenever it shall come, to be due to the influence of Saturn chiefly, he being in the eighth and ruling the seventh and eighth; and next to Mars, also in the eighth, and ruling the tenth and fifth. In general, the lord of the seventh in the eighth, "death by public enemies," and lord of the eighth in the eighth, "disruption of privy councils and secret societies." The lord of the tenth being there, some person or persons under the planet Mars being at the head of affairs will be involved in the cause of its demise, and so also are those ruled by the fifth. That the Society has not a long life is certain from the figure. The question remains as to whether it will survive, as an organisation, the present crisis. Let us look back and get some warrant for our predictions, if we have any to make.

The inauguration in New York was followed by M.C. Δ ☉ and Ascendant Δ ♄, which happened within the second year. This was a good set off so far as popularity is concerned. In the fourth year M.C. Δ ♄ $3^{\circ} 29'$ was accompanied by a removal of the two co-founders to India, and was followed by ☉ Δ ☊ $4^{\circ} 12'$ and ☉ Δ ♄ $4^{\circ} 45'$, during which time a good deal of successful propaganda was carried on. An evil day came, during which the first elements of an insidious evil crept

into the organisation. A study of the Theosophical Society's career is useful, and astrologers may interpret for themselves $\odot \square \text{♄ } 5^{\circ} 15'$ (♄ ruling the second by position) and $\odot \square \text{♄ } 5^{\circ} 21'$, Saturn being ruler of the seventh and eighth. Under $\text{♄} \square \text{♄}$, ruling fourth, $\odot \square \text{♄}$, ruling tenth, and M.C. $\angle \text{♄}$, extending from the seventh to the ninth year of the Theosophical Society, the headquarters were removed to Madras, and the famous "Coulomb affair," which so terribly involved the honor of the Society, took place.

The European movement was started under very successful influences, M.C. $\odot \text{♄}$, $\text{♄} \triangle \text{♀}$, $\odot \odot \text{♄}$, $\odot \triangle \text{♄}$, and the growth of the organisation in Europe has been phenomenal, though there are those who believe at this day that quality has been sacrificed to quantity, and that the body has thrived at the expense of the soul. That, however, is an opinion which should prove or disprove itself at short date. It is for us only to distinguish between the two, the movement and the Society, and keep the fact well before our minds.

The present crisis in the Society's affairs threatens to be an extremely serious one. It began with the Ascendant $\odot \text{♄ } 18^{\circ} 29'$ upon Mrs. Besant's return to England from India in April, 1894. This influence is followed by $\odot \odot \text{♄}$, $\text{♄} \text{♄} \text{♄}$, $\text{♄} \odot \text{♄}$, the last two influences measuring to October and November of the present year. Taking the corresponding circle by procession of signs, we come in the twentieth year to the eighth house, where we find Saturn itself, the ruler of the eighth, and its conjunction measures to July, 1895. Twelve years ago, in the eighth year of the Society's career, the "Coulomb affair," followed by the Psychical Research Society's exposure, coincided with this position.

Should the Society overcome this destructive influence, it will soon pass into a highly successful period extending to the close of the century.

Regarding the position of Mars in the eighth house, ruler of the tenth, it is to be observed that both Mr. Judge and Mrs. Besant are born under the sign Aries. Of the two, Mrs. Besant has by far the more powerful figure, though both are singularly fraught with elements of instability, due to the presence of a majority of planets in moveable signs. Mr. Judge's directions coincide with those now operating in the Theosophical Society's horoscope, and the worst of them fall due in July, 1895. As regards the Theosophical Society's horoscope, Mr. Judge contributes all the malefic influences of his own horoscope to the ninth and tenth

houses of the figure, his Saturn and Uranus being in \square to the Theosophical Society's \mathcal{D} , and his \mathcal{J} in the ninth house of the Theosophical Society's figure. Mrs. Besant throws her \odot , \mathcal{F} , and \mathcal{X} 's influence into the fourth of the Theosophical Society. Her \mathcal{D} and \mathcal{U} are conjoined with the Ascendant of the Theosophical Society, and her \mathcal{H} is in its M.C.

Mme. Blavatsky supported the adverse influence of \mathcal{H} in the second of Theosophical Society by her \odot in its own sign \mathcal{L} , while her \mathcal{D} and \mathcal{F} were in \mathcal{A} in the fourth house of Theosophical Society. Her \mathcal{X} in its own sign \mathcal{M} conjoined with Saturn and Mercury, fell in the third of the Theosophical Society, thus influencing its fortunes largely by her writings, for these planets were also in the third of her own horoscope. Indeed, her own horoscope may be regarded as the generatrix of the Theosophical horoscope. So long as she lived and brought the influence of her \mathcal{U} to bear upon the malefics in the eighth of the Theosophical Society (its longitude being $\approx 17^{\circ} 14'$ at her birth), there was little danger of rivalry and elements of discord coming into the constitution, but with her physical life there went the vehicle of this benefic influence.

Another horoscope, that of Col. Olcott, who has been largely instrumental in bringing about the present crisis, affords some rather striking positions. His \odot and \mathcal{F} occupy the T.S.'s second house; his \mathcal{U} is on the M.C. of the T.S.'s figure, being in \mathcal{X} 28° ; his \mathcal{H} falls in the eighth in $\approx 16^{\circ} 48'$; his Moon is on the cusp of fifth in \mathcal{M} $1^{\circ} 5'$, and his \mathcal{J} in \mathcal{X} $10^{\circ} 36'$ opposes the T.S.'s \mathcal{U} from the eleventh house. The working influence of other members of the Society may in this manner be arrived at.

It is quite within our province to predict that the crisis through which the Society is now passing will bring it very near to destruction, and if it should overcome the impending evil of Saturn, it will only be with the entire break up of some existing centres of activity, with removals, open disputes, and sudden changes, directly affecting the financial condition of the Society and its solidarity. Its twentieth birthday being passed, it has everything to hope for.

“SEPHARIAL.”

The January New Moon ushered in extreme cold, the weather being singularly severe. The Sun and Moon were within eighteen minutes of a square of Saturn, the cold-producing planet.

Alan's Page.

ASTROLOGICAL SOCIETY.

SEVERAL attempts, in theory, to form an Astrological Society have been made at various times, but as yet nothing practical has been done. Now nothing connected with Astrology at the present time is so important as a Society of Astrologers, and the time is rapidly drawing near when a Society *must* be formed. The support afforded to this magazine by astrologers exclusively, is not sufficient to warrant its being solely an official organ, so that any Society formed must be independent of this journal.

AN ASTROLOGICAL BUREAU.

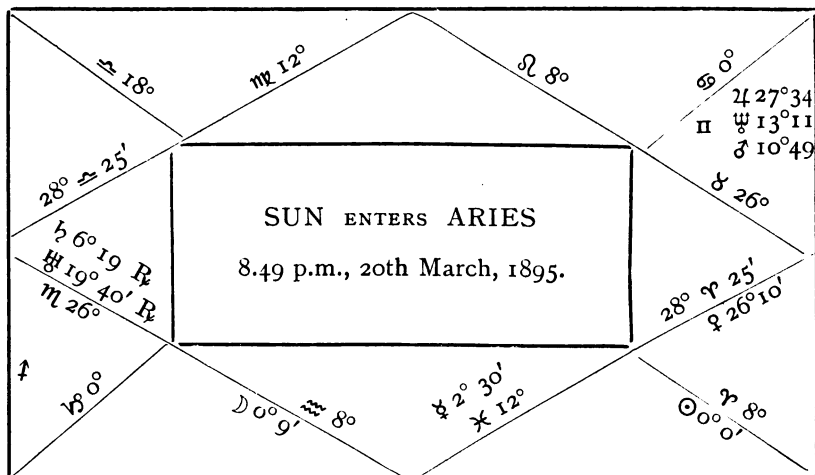
With the object of forming an astrological bureau, a few true astrologers met in January of the present year, and the plan of operation suggested was very elaborate and far-reaching, the principle object being the employment of a staff to obtain reliable data and full details of important events, also an examination and instruction class. But on my suggestion to take a figure for the result of the scheme, it was found that it could only be carried on at a great financial loss, and, none of us being wealthy men, the idea was abandoned.

AN ASTROLOGICAL COLLEGE.

Now I have a suggestion to throw out to every reader of this magazine, and the following is my plan:—The formation of an astrological college, with an inner and an outer school, the former to consist of students having but little knowledge of Astrology, and anxious to be *taught* more, the latter to be composed of able astrologers who are interested in the *esoteric* as well as the exoteric branch the science, and only to be admitted on examination of their knowledge of *esoteric Astrology*—this latter is imperative. Now I will leave this important subject to the fates and its future development. All those who are *true* and genuine lovers of this Divine Wisdom, *will* write me on the subject, not only giving their opinions, but also their practical help; and this latter alone will encourage me to proceed. So now you have an opportunity that may never occur again this century to show your real sympathy with the most ancient of all sciences. Those who do not desire their names to be mentioned in the list that will appear in the magazine will please say so. Should fifty persons write promising support to the movement, I will take the responsibility of calling a meeting within three months of this date to arrange subscription and the appointment of officials, &c.

Correspondents will please address their communications as follows:—A.C., c/o ALAN-LEO.

Mundane Astrology.



THIS is considered by Astrologers to be the most important Mundane figure, being the commencement of the astrological year, the Sun's entry into the cardinal sign Aries.

It is not a very striking figure, yet it is not good, for the only prominent planets are the malefics. The position of Saturn and Uranus in the first house, does not promise well for the Civil peace, and a dissatisfied condition of the people generally is to be feared. The aspect of Mercury, lord of the eleventh, to Saturn in the first, promises the aid of some prominent members of parliament on their behalf, and I judge some important measures will be passed of great importance to the working classes particularly.

The Moon's position is not favorable for the travelling public, and accidents seem imminent, especially by water, toward the end of the month.

The position of Mars in the eighth house, seem to point to many sudden deaths among literary men. It also indicates some slight trouble with neighbouring nations. The County Council will also feel the effects of this messenger of discord, they will not be very popular during the ensuing quarter, for their meetings will be anything but harmonious.

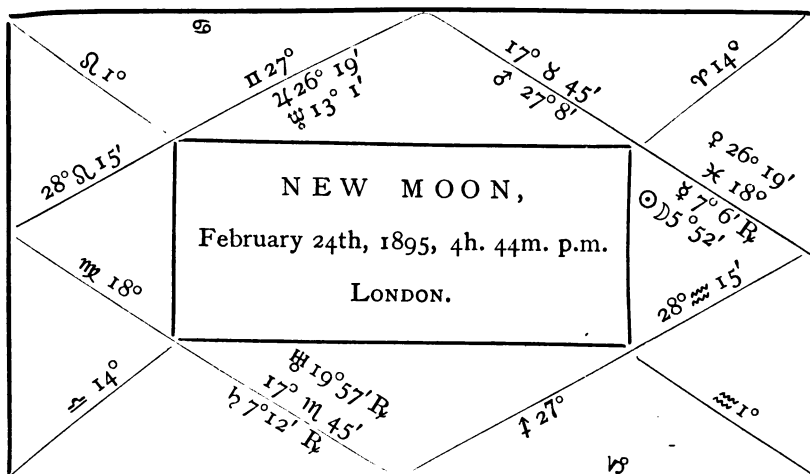
Venus in sextile to Jupiter will increase the number of marriages, and also benefit the probate office, but the public purse will not be

good, and the outlook for commerce is none too bright. There is still that want of public confidence so essential to commercial interests.

The danger that threatens the Government is *sudden* defeat. Their opponents will be careful to conceal their tactics, but they will be very determined in their opposition, and may plan a surprise.

Students should carefully note the dates on which the events promised by this figure occur, and note the direction that corresponds to the event.

The map drawn for New York shows Mars in elevation. This is not favorable for the United States, governed by Gemini. Their troubles will increase before they diminish.



The New Moon preceding the Vernal ingress has generally been considered of the greatest importance, especially when it bears any likeness to the latter. Now the main feature of the map, is the threatened severe opposition to the Government, and in studying this in conjunction with these two Mundane figures, we may safely predict a harrassing time for our legislatures. It will be hard work for them to steer clear of defeat; the position of Mars is inimical. Royalty will be affected, and the Lords will suffer from the effects of Venus square Jupiter.

Marriages will increase, and one in Royal circles may be talked of, but its consummation is doubtful.

In scientific and religious quarters there will be much activity. The financial outlook is more promising here than in the Solar figure; but as Mercury is in his fall, with Jupiter also, permanent improvement is doubtful.

The lunar figure erected for New York has the luminaries in the mid-heaven free from affliction, and Jupiter on the Ascendant. There will be some improvement in commerce generally, and chiefly in export trade.

The Eclipses of 1895.

BY "SEPHARIAL."

DURING the year 1895, there will be three eclipses of the Sun, and two of the Moon.

The first in order is that of the Moon, which takes place at 3.39 a.m. (G.M.T.), 11th March, 1895.

The figure for London shows \cap $15^{\circ} 45'$ culminating, and \wp $9^{\circ} 55'$ rising. Saturn is in the ninth house, Uranus in the tenth, Mercury is in the first, the Sun in the second, Mars in the fifth, and Jupiter in the sixth; while the eclipsed luminary is in m $20^{\circ} 20'$ in the eighth house of the figure.

The aspects to the Moon must chiefly be considered; also its position in the horoscope, the nature of the sign it is in, and the positions of the afflicting planets.

Being in m , a Common and Earthy sign, the chief effects of the eclipse will fall upon the populace, and these chiefly female, for the D holds a female sign. Eclipses in *common* signs stir up strifes and war, and cause deaths among the people. That the public health will be below par, and that many deaths will occur in our land is certain from the position of J in π in the sixth house in square aspect to the D ; and much mortality, incident to some widespread affection of the bowels and internal viscera, will ensue. The eighth house rules the Privy Council, the Queen's friends, and secret societies among the people. It is most probable that the Queen will lose some female friend by death, and the Privy Council will also suffer among its members. Affairs connected with secret and occult societies will attract public attention, and the celestial portents proclaim death to all Cabals instituted under this influence or during the rule of this eclipse.

Saturn, afflicting the D from Scorpio in the ninth house, will cause serious calamities on the high seas and the submersion of vessels.

The national *exports* will not be up to the average during this season. Mars in the fifth house will afflict theatres and places of amusement about the 10th April, 27th May, and 13th July, more surely at the end of May.

Uranus in the M.C. will make the Government unpopular after this eclipse has taken place. The Budget will give dissatisfaction, more particularly in relation to Government service, since ζ , lord of the second, is retrograde and in the sign of its fall in the sixth house. Army and Navy expenses will call for special attention.

There will be many deaths among females due to uterine complaints and congestion of the lungs.

Abuses in the matter of food, hygiene, and sanitation will claim public notice.

Paris and Turkey, ruled by Virgo, will soon feel the effects of this eclipse, but the chief effects will be some months before they fall into ultimatum.

The eclipse is central in longitude $52^{\circ} 10'$ W. and latitude $3^{\circ} 59'$ N.

The Korea, in the 128th degree of East longitude, together with the Celebes, Borneo, and New Guinea, will feel the effects of this lunar eclipse upon their lower meridian, and earthquake shocks, popular tumults and widespread disaster will quickly follow.

The position of Saturn and Uranus upon the meridian of France will give more trouble to the existing Government.

For England, this eclipse ultimates about the 10th of August, 1895.

At Washington, Ω 24° culminates and \mathfrak{m} 15° rises. Saturn and Uranus are conjoined to the Ascendant. The \mathfrak{p} is near the eleventh cusp, and Mars in the seventh house.

The people of America will experience very hard times. There will be numerous strikes, much seditious tumult, shipping disasters, foreign quarrels, and the death of public female characters, and women of some consequence. Secret societies will do much harm, and there will be numerous strange deaths among the people.

As the eclipse falls in \mathfrak{m} , the ruling sign of Turkey, and as in Longitude 39° East, and about the same Latitude North, the eclipsed Moon will be just setting, with \mathfrak{H} and \mathfrak{h} in \mathfrak{m} , both retrograde in the eighth house, we may expect to hear of an extended series of atrocities and numerous tragic deaths in Armenia.

The influence of the eclipse extends from the 11th March to the middle of September in those parts.

Dated 16th January, 1895.

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Degrees of the Zodiac Symbolized.

(Continued from page 151.)

VIRGO.

TWENTY-FIRST DEGREE.—A man carrying a money-bag in each hand.

The native will be of a penurious, acquisitive, and mercenary nature; always counting the cost of all he does, and looking well to it, that whatever he performs shall first be remunerative; then, if possible (though this is not important), just. He will acquire wealth by easy means, and will indulge in some very notable speculations. It is a degree of *Covetousness*.

22nd degree.—A well-favored woman, but of evil aspect, stands before a mirror.

It denotes a person of a sensuous and worldly nature, very susceptible to flattery; vain, easily led away, and in great danger of a downfall. Unless the native urges a strong, moral resistance to his instincts he will incur shame and dishonor through his alliances with the opposite sex. The same applies *mutatis mutandis* to a female. It is a degree of *Sensuousness*.

23rd degree.—A ship in full sail.

It indicates a person of a roving and fanciful nature, always on the alert for some new experience, a new sensation, and some *souçon* of romance and danger therein. The native will travel to foreign countries and will either become a sailor or will gain his reputation and means of subsistence by work connected with the sea. It is a degree of *Roving*.

24th degree.—A man sitting naked upon a sea-girt rock, covering his eyes with his hands.

It denotes a person of misanthropic spirit and unsociable disposition, who will be estranged from his kindred and may be exiled or outcast from his country. In addition, the native is short-sighted or has some moral obliquity, so that he will incur severe troubles through this defect in various ways. It is a degree of *Loneliness*.

25th degree.—Crossed swords, over which is seen a crown.

It indicates a person of a military, aggressive character, and who will take things by force and cut his way through life by dint of energy and

executive ability. He will have many and powerful enemies, but will overcome them. Yet peace will not abide with the man of war, and the native, while gaining fame, will lose his happiness in life. It is a degree of *Aggression*.

26th degree.—Two women walking together with linked arms, talking confidentially.

It denotes a person of a sociable, kind, sympathetic and cordial nature, who will attract many sincere friends of both sexes, and by means of them will prosper. In mature years the native is destined to preside over a happy and united home. It is a degree of *Concord*.

27th degree.—A broken hammer or mallet, lying upon a carpenter's bench.

It denotes a person of a peculiarly incapable nature, unhappy disposition, and a certain awkwardness in his bearing. He will suffer ills through want of practicality and executive power, and by reason of his backwardness will be liable to be victimised and deceived by the more active and wary. It is a degree of *Bluntness*.

28th degree.—A wide-branching tree laden with fruit.

It denotes a person of a full, rich, and generous disposition, superior intelligence, industrious and husbandly habits, predestined to success in life by reason of inherent merits. He will gain many friends, and will have a large family. Whatever else is needful to success and peace of mind will fall to him. It is a degree of *Fruitfulness*.

29th degree.—A man attired as a cardinal of the church.

It denotes one of a quick and energetic nature, short temper, reclusive habits; highly imaginative and capable of much creative work; inclined to religion of a ceremonial nature; subject to spells of sensuousness, but of strong self-commanding faculty. It is a degree of *Ecclesiasticism*.

30th degree.—A man standing, either headless or with the head shrouded in black cloth.

It denotes a person of a very melancholy disposition and eccentric mind, a searcher of secret things, and fond of midnight studies; a recluse. It threatens the native with some mental affection or danger of wounds in the head. The native will have to exercise great care in his mental efforts or he will end his days in chaos and confusion of mind. It is a degree of *Obscuration*.

(To be continued.)

Observations on the "Centiloquy;"

OR, THE ONE HUNDRED APHORISMS OF CLAUDIUS PTOLEMY.

By "APHOREL."

PRELIMINARY REMARKS.

THESE one hundred aphorisms (otherwise called the "Fruit of his Four Books") appeared in the first volume of the *Astrologers' Magazine*, but as there are very few volumes now obtainable, I purpose giving them with extended observations, as many of these Aphorisms are very obscure, and may baffle the student, as I found they did when I first came across them in the translation by Ashmand.

APHOR. I.—Judgment must be regulated by thyself, as well as by the science, for it is not possible that particular forms of events should be declared by any person, however scientific, since the understanding conceives only the general idea of some sensible event, and not its particular form. It is, therefore, necessary for him who practices herein to adopt inference. Those only who are inspired by the Deity can predict particulars.

OBSERVATION.—Here we find a very good text for an astrological sermon, viz., "Judgment must be regulated by thyself." First, then, care must be exercised in the delineation of an horoscope, the solving of an horary figure, or prediction from directions, not only in the setting of the figure, as important in its way as judgment, but, after all, the erection of a figure is a matter of calculation, and may easily be learnt by anyone, but the judgment of the figure, as Ptolemy says, "must be regulated by thyself;" and here is the difficulty at the outset, for instance, the planets Mercury, Venus, Mars, Jupiter, and (according to some) Saturn, are each rulers of two zodiacal signs, and in our latitude some of these signs occupy two mundane houses. For example, when $18^{\circ} 52' \text{ } \text{m}$ rises, $2^{\circ} \text{ } \text{m}$ is on the cusp of the twelfth house, and $9^{\circ} \text{ } \text{r}$ on cusp of the fifth house; hence Mars becomes lord, or ruler, of three mundane houses; hence care must be used in arriving at a decision if the question has to do with either of these houses, and if such question, &c., does have reference to one of these houses, Mars may be in another house, therefore how necessary to "regulate thy judgment!" The sentence which follows the preceding is qualified by the concluding one, and proves that astrologers are, like poets, "born, not made," and although great progress may be and is made by close study and research, accuracy in prediction as to *detail* of events, &c., is

a "gift," as we have often pointed out, and those who have the planets Uranus, Saturn, Mercury, and the Moon favorably configured, &c., will be found to be more successful than those who have not them so placed, &c. The great Lilly states: "Avoid rash judgments," bearing out what Ptolemy states, and the student is advised to take the initial Aphorism of Ptolemy as an astrological commandment, and thoroughly observe it.

APHOR. 2.—When an enquirer shall make mature search into an expected event, there will be found no material difference between the event itself and his idea of it.

OBSERVATION.—The pith of this aphorism is "thoroughness," *i.e.*, "make mature search;" no skimming the surface, no superficiality, but thorough search, and if this be done, there will be no material difference. As "Raphael" says, "What you do not find out to-day you will to-morrow, for nothing worth finding was found without much study and research." The Aphorism is one that pertains to both horoscopy and horary Astrology, whereas some do not. Make your judgment and note what happens, and by the knowledge obtained by experience, the understanding is enlarged.

APHOR. 3.—Whosoever may be adapted to any particular event or pursuit, will assuredly have the star indicative thereof very potent in his nativity.

OBSERVATION.—Here we see that the nativity must be the basis of our exploration, and proves that if one has the knowledge and gift, all may be deduced from the horoscope. It also teaches us that the strength of the promissory planet *must* be noted. Some will say that what is meant is "the angular position of the planet indicative of the event," ignoring the lordships, or rulers, of the various signs; but if we read Ptolemy carefully, we find in his four books he greatly refers to the "lords of houses," and I am of opinion that the "potency" of a planet consists both of essential and accidental dignity, and that is what Ptolemy intended to convey.

APHOR. 4.—A mind apt in knowledge will discover truth more readily than one practiced in the highest branches of science.

OBSERVATION.—Aptitude is a gift, and we find it true astrologically as well as in other branches, and I need only instance men like Sir Robert Ball (the Astronomer), the late R. A. Proctor, and Dr. Barnard (the Moon-finder), besides many others who are "practiced in the highest branches of Astronomy," ignoring the truth

of Astrology, because they are either too bigoted or else will not take the trouble to study it and apply the results of such study to their own lives; or is it possible they are afraid of the "world's dread laugh," or else that Astrology does not pay, whereas Astronomy does!!

APHOR. 5.—A skilful person, acquainted with the nature of the stars, is enabled to avert many of their effects, and to prepare himself for those effects before they arrive.

OBSERVATION.—Here, students, is an aphorism that *deserves especial prominence*, and is a sound argument to produce when the "croakers" want to know "what use is Astrology!" We herein learn that we are not enabled to avert *all* effects, as we have so often taught, for we cannot avert death, which is the only postman that comes to everyone's door, but we can enhance the good by preparation, and minimise the evil by a judicious regulation of our actions, no matter what the "croakers" may say, and my experience daily proves this. Again, a very valuable hint is given in this aphorism that all students should heed, viz., become acquainted "with the nature of the stars," for if this be mastered and judgment regulated, a sound basic knowledge of Astrology is gained, and will prove a sound mental investment, quite apart from a financial one; but, as is known, if the student wants to know his success in this latter direction, let he or she take heed of Aphorism 3.

(To be continued).

Some Useful Data for Students.

1. Evan Harris; occupation, lawyer and inn-keeper; born at 3.15 a.m., February 19th, 1834, at Kidwelly, Carmarthenshire; died 15th November, 1893, of bronchitis; ill 8 days; height 5-ft. 6-in.

2. J. Thomas; born at 7 a.m., October 12th, 1835, at Rhydforthe; died 8th April, 1893; influenza 3 days, congestion of the lungs 2 days.

3. Edward M. Savours; born noon, August 9th, 1836; died 29th June, 1892, of Bright's disease and pneumonia, previously attended for dyspepsia.

4. George Thomas; born 6 a.m., July 10th, 1837, at Carmarthen; father a mason; died aged 80; mother at 79; he had 5 brothers and 2 sisters; a tin worker and publican; was married.

5. Henry White; occupation, forgerman; born 9.30 p.m., March 17th, 1843; married; died 12th January, 1889; cerebral apoplexy, 20 hours.

6. Maire Bernard Appariti; born at Senere, France, at 1.30 p.m., 10th March, 1844; died 30th July, 1892, of dropsy, at St. Petersburg.

7. L. M. Gandin; born 3rd May, 1884, at 5 a.m., Touchet Manche, France; died at Paris, 6th October, 1893; fracture of skull, resulting from fall from a carriage; he was a carriage builder.

8. William Smith; born 1.30 a.m., 16th August, 1850, at Redcar, Yorkshire; died of phthisis, March, 1893; ill 12 months; he was an insurance agent.

9. Jane E. McIntosh; born 10.30 p.m., 1st October, 1860, at Inverness; married 14th September, 1887; died 16th March, 1893, at Pontypridd, of phthisis.

10. R. Laurie; born 4.30 p.m., 16th October, 1859, at Biggar, Co. Lanwk; a coachman; died at Edinburgh, 14th October, 1893; influenza 21 days, capillary bronchitis, 2 months; was married.

11. David Preston, book-keeper; born at Glasgow, 7.45 a.m., 15th March, 1863; died at Ayr, 23rd June, 1888; phthisis pulmonalis 3 days.

12. Tom Moor; born 8.30 a.m., 2nd March, 1829; married 27th November, 1859; again 7th August, 1864; died 5th August, 1878, at Fisthla; occupation, billiard marker.

Notes on Recent Events.

The German steamer Elbe was sunk on January 30th after collision in the North Sea, and nearly 400 persons were drowned. This event comes under the figure for the Sun's ingress into Capricorn, where Mars was in the ninth house in opposition to the Moon. At the time of the collision the Moon was on the cusp of the ninth house of the above figure.

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It has been pointed out to me that since the entry of Saturn into Scorpio, the malefic planet into a secret sign, Theosophy and Spiritualism have both been under a cloud. The *Westminster Gazette* articles, attacking certain Theosophists, but principally Mr. W. Q. Judge, began with the entry of Saturn into Scorpio; and the exposure of two well-known materialising mediums in Paris and Australia followed. If Scorpio signifies secret things and pursuits of an occult nature, it is only reasonable to suppose that Saturn's entry would afflict these things as well as all others signified by the signs.

The sextile of the Sun and Uranus on January 9th was accompanied by a heavy snowfall and very cold weather. This lasted for about a week, and the opposition of Mars and Saturn seemed to have the effect of breaking up the cold weather for a time—in the South of England at least.

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Mars was opposition to Saturn on January 15th from Taurus and Scorpio. On that day the President of the French Republic very unexpectedly resigned office. Also on that day, at Butte, in Montana, there was a dangerous fire, accompanied by tremendous gunpowder explosions, whereby over one hundred people were killed. The opposition of the two planets also manifested itself in considerable atmospheric disturbance, a gale, with snow on the 12th, and heavy rain on the 13th.

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Parliament met at 2 p.m. on the 5th of February. 16 ♄ rose and 15 ♀ culminated. Mars was in Taurus in the eleventh, in opposition to Saturn and Uranus. This will probably cause misfortune and discontent in Ireland; and, since the Sun squares all the planets from Aquarius, the proposed Irish Land Bill, if it passes at all, will only do so in a mutilated form; new and successful legislation for Ireland during this session is very improbable. Jupiter is retrograde in Gemini in the twelfth, with the Moon applying to the conjunction. This benefits Wales to some extent, but it is improbable that the expectations of the Welsh will be fully satisfied owing to the retrograde position of Jupiter. The Budget threatens to be a source of trouble and strife. Some person, eminent in the state, will die during the session. The passage of the Sun through Taurus (20th April to 21st May) will prove a critical time, and again when the Sun is in Leo, if the session lasts so long.

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In our predictions based upon the figure for the winter quarter, we called attention to the afflictions of the mid-heaven and the Sun, the natural significators of Rulers and Governments. This applied not merely to the figure for our portion of the globe, but to other parts as well; and, accordingly, we find that the significant affairs have suffered in many countries. M. Casimir-Perier, the President of the French Republic, unexpectedly resigned his post on January 15th. His successor to the Presidency was speedily appointed, but it proved a somewhat difficult task to organise the new Cabinet. In our own country, Sir W. Ponsonby, the Queen's private secretary, was stricken with paralysis. He was so closely associated with the Queen that his illness is significant when referred to "Sepharia's" prediction of "domestic affliction, bereavement" in the Queen's horoscope. The ex-King of Naples died at Arco on December 27th. The Maharajah of Mysore died of diphtheria on the same day. The Victorian Government (Melbourne) was defeated on 8th January, and compelled to resign. Signor Celli, the public prosecutor at Milan, was assassinated by an anarchist on January 17th. De Giers, Russian foreign Minister, died January 26th. Marshal Canrobert died January 28th. Lord Randolph Churchill died January 24th.

Letters to the Editor.

Letters of general interest alone are inserted. Correspondents desiring reply must please enclose a stamped addressed envelope. All correspondents should give full name and address, not necessarily for publication, but as a token of good faith.

KABALISTIC ASTROLOGY.

SIR, — Since the publication of the book under the above name, numerous questions have arisen which seem to indicate that the average reader finds some preliminary difficulties in the study of the system set forth therein. A few plain answers to plain questions may help in elucidating the subject :—

(1) Are there not a couple of errors on p. 20, Gladstone's nativity? The scale reads: eleventh house, \mathcal{U} in \mathbb{X} instead of \mathfrak{X} in \mathbb{X} ; and in the third house, should it not read \mathcal{U} in \mathfrak{N} and not \mathfrak{X} in \mathfrak{N} ? And the second house should be \mathfrak{Z} in Π , not \odot in Π , I think, should it not?

Ans.—On p. 19 you will find that "the tenth house ceased with point LXVII." The mistake the querent has made is that he has gone back to point XXIII only, instead of taking count of the Major Points (22) on p. 7. The rule is plainly given on p. 7, where the twenty-two Major Points are stated as always following the seventy-eighth Point. The scale as given will be found quite correct.

(2) In the case of hyphenated names such as Gordon-Smith, Gorn-Eld, Lloyd-Jephson, &c., how are the names to be taken?

Ans.—First come the Christian names, then the surnames; the method of setting out these in the scale will be seen on p. 18. In the above and similar cases, the first of the hyphenated names must be taken separately, and computation must be made as if it were a separate Christian name, or as if the hyphen did not exist.

(3) In the case of marriage, what happens on the change of name by the bride?

Ans.—A change of fortune. Not a radical one, however, since her own "maiden horoscope" already indicates the condition of life, following upon the time and circumstances of the marriage. Just as in ordinary Astrology, it is found more reliable to consider the directions in a married woman's horoscope in relation to those operating in the horoscope of the husband, or just as the question of joint fortunes can best be determined from a joint horoscope; so in this system also, the more careful researcher will consider it not amiss to erect a new Scale of Nativity for the new name, with of course the same key-number, the same Circle, and Point of Departure. Nevertheless, he will know that the marriage is a thing already included in the original horoscope; and as this is the more expressive of the root nature of the individual, whence the directing impulses of the life are primarily drawn, he will not go so far as to see a *new individual* in a horoscope which only is indicative of a new environment. The same applies to a change of name in the case of a man. I prefer only to use the birth names in general practice.

I shall at all times be glad to give what assistance I can to any who find difficulties in their way when studying this subject, and will answer any questions put to me in these pages.

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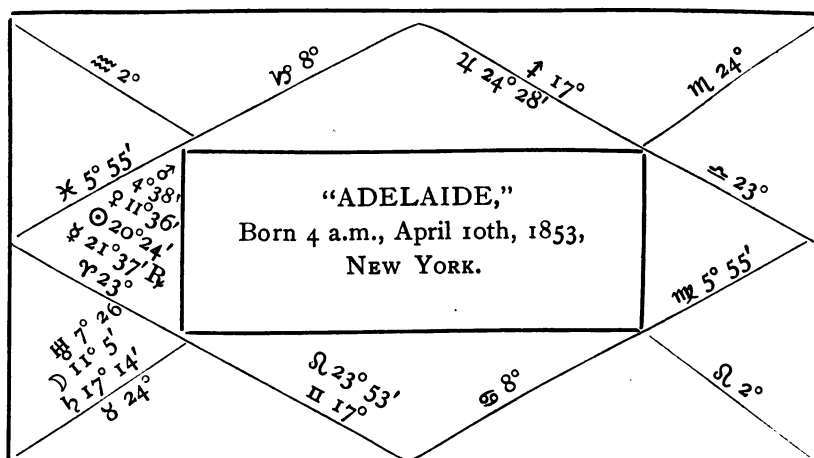
Marriage.

BY ALAN-LEO.

(Continued from page 174).

HAVING now almost exhausted my stock of private cases, I will now turn my attention to those who come directly under our notice as subscribers, and to them is owing a great debt of gratitude for their kindness in supplying the necessary information. I am anxious to illustrate as many cases as possible before passing any definite remarks as to the causes, &c.

The first, whose horoscope follows, I will christen "Adelaide"—being a female.



The following are the particulars as supplied, and vouched as being correct. She was married at noon, August 22nd, 1882, New York, to a colonel, a man of great learning, but with little or no money. He died the following year at three p.m., November 12th, 1883. He fell dead in her arms at a reception tended to him in Boston, Mass.

Her second marriage took place at noon, October 11th, 1888, to a gentleman of a very high position and some wealth, but his intemperance was so great that she separated from him June 27th, 1892. Since then she has been obliged to support herself and child, who was born at 11 a.m., November 7th, 1889—New York city.

The following facts may also be of interest to students. Her father died from being thrown from his carriage, December 9th, 1870. He left her a fortune, but she has lost it all. She has supported herself by her literary and musical attainments. Now, the following will be of *special* interest:—

She was engaged to the ideal of her life in the year 1876. She was to have been married to him on the 25th June, 1880, but he was poisoned, and died that day. It was a mysterious affair, and thought by some to be the act of his own brother, who inherited his fortune, which was immense, and left soon after for Australia.

If the map is reversed, it will represent the lover and husbands.

Palmistry Astrologised.

BY "VIOLA."

(*Continued from page 175*).

THE mount of Saturn is found just beneath the second finger. The ancients ever designated Saturn the planet of "Fatality." This mount cannot be judged alone. With a good mount of Venus and line of heart (of which we will treat further on), it denotes Wisdom. Saturn gives extreme misfortune or good fortune, and, in contradiction to many writers, I generally find that, when this mount is good (and a long line upon it reaching from the bottom of the hand), wealth and inheritances from old people may be judged. Jupiter is supposed to give this, but Saturn shows wealth, and the power to hold it as well! Many bars on this mount is a very evil sign; they show limitation and selfishness. This mount gives a stable, penetrating disposition; a love of the occult and mystic.

The mount of Mars is at the side of the hand, opposite the thumb and below Mercury's mount; when found in harmony with the rest of the hand, it is good. It is, in particular, the mount of "Force," and it entirely depends on the other combinations of the palm as to

how it will act ; if with Jupiter—spiritual energy ! if with Moon's mount in excess, it will work on the material plane. This mount invariably *energises* the whole of the character. If it is feeble, or deficient, force will be wanting. It gives the combative instinct, courage, ardour, resolution, and self-command ; also presence of mind in an emergency. If large, it gives cruelty, anger, and tyranny !

The mount of the Moon is found immediately below that of Mars. Well developed and aspected, it indicates the personality of the individual to be above the ordinary, not led away by the senses and the material things of life, but inclines more to the plane of the mind and the imagination. This mount cannot be judged alone ; it depends almost entirely upon the others as to what action it will take. With the mount of Mercury large, the person will be a worker intellectually, and, with education and environment suitable, a writer of romance, or an actor. Jupiter's mount largest, it denotes a leaning to the field of the ministry or the humanitarian. Working with the Sun's mount, it will make an artist, or a very successful electrician, &c.

The mount of Venus, formed by the root of the thumb, when *harmoniously balanced* and well aspected, gives a very unselfish disposition, a kind and easy-going nature ; a lover of the beautiful. With a good mount of Mars and Jupiter, an "idealist." With the Sun's mount also full, a spiritually-inclined heart ; love of the highest type. It gives melody in music, and ability for oratory ; a desire to please others. It is pre-eminently the mount of "Feeling," as Mars is of "Force." According as it is aspected, and the other signs—lines, &c.—(to be explained later) agree, so will the feelings take on the lower or the higher aspect. There is *soul feeling*—the polar opposite to *sense feeling*. The mount of Venus has to do greatly with intuition, though this is not generally known or accepted. With a large mount of Mars and Moon, and in excess, it gives coquetry, inconsistency, and extreme sensuality, which is the abuse of feeling.

Each planet has a special influence over certain parts of the body, viz., Jupiter governs the lungs ; Saturn the brain organ, spleen, liver, &c. ; the Sun the heart, eyes, back, and vital centres ; Mercury nerve system, lungs, tongue, &c. ; Mars the throat, nose, and the generative system ; the Moon rules the fluidic system, and when in excess causes the lymphatic temperament ; Venus governs the

reproductive system. Jupiter governs the hands and the arterial system.

An excess in any of the mounts augurs a tendency to the diseases that planet governs; when many lines cross it, the same may be judged. The causes will be seen by what part of the hand these lines start from, or form an opposing force. But this will be dealt with more fully when we go into Chiromancy.

(To be continued.)

Hindu Astrology,

AFTER PARASHARA.

(Continued from page 158.)

ILLUSTRATION.

IN order to properly set out the system under notice, I shall have recourse to an example, which I find ready to hand in the horoscope of Her Majesty Queen Victoria. The Ayanâms'a, or difference between the Vernal Equinox and the star Revati, is thus determined: 1819 — 498 A.D. = 1321 years, $\times 50\frac{1}{3}'' = 66,490'' = 18^{\circ} 28' 10''$.

This amount must be subtracted from the Ascendant and the planets' places, and the signs must be set in the figure without regard to oblique ascension, as in the example given below. The subtraction of the Ayanâms'a is not for the purpose of marking the exact degrees held by the planets in the Hindu Zodiac, but to determine merely what change of sign, if any, is due to them by the conversion from one zodiac to another. And in the example given, we find that the Ascendant falls in Taurus (*Vrishabham*), the Sun and Moon are in the same sign of the Hindu zodiac, Mercury passes into Aries, Jupiter into Capricorn, and Mars into Pisces. Uranus, not being included in the system of Parashara and of the Hindu writers generally, is left out of the figure, while the Moon's Nodes, ♄ and ♀, are included therein. The signs, too, are differently placed in regard to the houses, being equally distributed throughout. Shorn of all the elements which properly belong to the European figure, and which are not required by the Hindu Jyoshi, the result would be as follows:—

Saturn. Mars.		Jupiter.	
Venus. Mercury. D. Head.	E M P R E S S OF I N D I A .		
Taurus. Sun. Moon.			Dragon's Tail.

There are different methods of drawing the figures among the Dravidians in the South of India and the Aryans in the North ; and the first house is placed indifferently in various parts of the figure by the several schools of astrologers ; but all would agree in placing the planets and signs in the same relative positions as above. It will be remarked that the ascending sign only is given ; the rest are understood as being identified with the several successive houses of the figure. Reading this figure we say : Taurus rising, with Sun and Moon ; Dragon's Tail in Libra in the sixth ; Jupiter in Capricornus in the ninth ; Saturn and Mars in Pisces in the eleventh ; Venus, Mercury, and Dragon's Head in Aries in the twelfth. A Southern Hindu would say : Vrishabha Lagnam, Surya and Chandra ; Ketu in sixth ; Guru in ninth ; S'ani, Kuja in eleventh ; S'ukra, Budhan and Rahu in twelfth ; and with these elements he would go to work, remarking that Chandra (Moon) is in "Svocham" (its exaltation), and S'ukra in "svaneecham" (its debility).

The accidental relations of the planets are as follows : Dragon's Tail is an "enemy" to all the planets except Jupiter ; Jupiter is friendly to Dragon's Tail, Saturn, Mars, Venus, Mercury, and Dragon's Head, and also to the Sun and Moon ; Saturn, Mars, Venus, Mercury, and Dragon's Head are friendly to all except the Dragon's Tail ; and the Sun and Moon are friendly to all except the Dragon's Tail. Now, to determine the asterism of birth, observe the *exact* longitude of the

Moon in the Hindu zodiac. The longitude given in the European figure of birth is π $3^{\circ} 39'$, and that, being reduced by the Ayanâms'a $18^{\circ} 28'$, gives 8 $15^{\circ} 11'$. Reference to the Table on page 131 will show that in the sign 8 there are three parts of Krittika, four of Rohini, and two of Mrigas'irsha. Each of these parts we know to be $3^{\circ} 20'$ in extent; therefore, three of Krittika = 10° ; and $15^{\circ} 11' - 10^{\circ}$ leaves $5^{\circ} 11'$ to be accounted for. These $5^{\circ} 11'$ form part of the next asterism—Rohini. Therefore we say that at the Queen's birth the Moon was in Rohini, having passed through $5^{\circ} 11'$ of that asterism, and being in the second "part" thereof. Looking at the Table again, we see that Rohini is ruled by the Moon, whose period is ten years. We have therefore to find how much of the ten years is due to the $5^{\circ} 11'$ of Rohini, through which the Moon has passed up to the birth-time. Each asterism being $13^{\circ} 20'$ in extent, we say, in this case: If $13^{\circ} 20'$ gives ten years, what will $5^{\circ} 11'$ give?

$$13^{\circ} 20' (800') : 5^{\circ} 11' (311') :: 10 : 3 \text{ yrs. } 10 \text{ mths. } 19 \text{ days.}$$

Then, with this expired portion of the Moon's period of ten years, we are able to determine under what sub-period in the Moon's Period the Queen was born.

THE SUB-PERIODS.

The sub-periods are obtained by multiplying together the years due to the planet ruling the Period and Sub-period; then, cutting off the last figure in the product, multiply it by 3, and call the result *days*, the first figure in the product being so many *months*. Thus, to find the Sub-period due to the Moon in its own Period:—The period of the Moon is ten years — $10 \times 10 = 100 = 10$ months. There is a cypher for the last figure of the product, and therefore the Sub-period has no odd days. Take another example:—

Find the Sub-period due to Mars in the Period of the Sun, the Sun's period being six years, and that of Mars seven years.

$7 \times 6 = 42 = 4$ months 6 days. These Sub-periods are called in Sanskrit *Bukthi*.

They are further divided into *antaram* periods. The rule for determining their duration is as follows:—

1. Divide the *months* of the Bukthi period by 4; this will give so many *days, hours, etc.*
2. Divide the *days* of the Bukthi period by 5; this will give so many *hours, minutes, etc.*

3. The days, hours, and minutes thus produced must be multiplied by the total Period (Das'â) of the planet whose *antaram* period is required.

EXAMPLE.—Required the *antaram* period of Jupiter in the Sub-period (*Bukthi*) of Saturn, and the Period (*Das'â*) of Dragon's Tail (*Ketu*)

४ Period = 7 years.

१ Sub-period = 13 months 9 days.

५ Inter-period, or *Antaram* = ?

By Rule 1, $13 \div 4 = 3$ days 6 hours.

By Rule 2, $9 \div 5 = 1$ hour 48 minutes.

Total.—3 days 7 hours 48 minutes.

This period, multiplied by 16, the total period of Jupiter, whose *antaram*, or inter-period, is required = 1 month 25 days 9 hours 48 mins., which is Jupiter's inter-period in the sub-period of Saturn and the period of Dragon's Tail, or, as the Hindus would say, *Ketu Das'â*, *S'ani Bukthi*, *Guru Antaram*.

It is stated that the ancient Hindu astrologers sub-divided these periods into most minute fractions, and stayed only at the *Swara*, or breath, a period of a few seconds. Whether or not they were able to determine the *phalam*, or effects, due to these minute periods is a matter of question. For all practical purposes, the inter-periods of the planets will be found sufficient.

The order of the planets in the successive sub-divisions of the periods is as follows:

In all cases the planet whose period is sub-divided takes the first place, and the rest follow on in the order observed in the Table of Asterisms, viz., ४ ♀ ☉ १ ♂ २ ३ ४ ५ ६.

So, if the period belongs to १, then १ will rule the first sub-period, and the first inter-period of that sub-period. Then follows the sub-period of Mars in the period of the Moon, and the first inter-period of the sub-period will likewise be ruled by Mars; २, ३, ४, &c., following in their order.

For the purpose of facilitating the calculation of these sub-periods and inter-periods, I have reduced the Hindu rules to terms of our own divisions of time, but I shall append a complete set of Tables to the present exposition.

The ages at which the various sub-periods of the Moon's period will expire can thus be set out in order:

Moon's Period.

		Yrs.	Mths.	Dys.	
Moon's Sub - period	...	0	10	0	expired.
Mars' do.	...	0	7	0	do.
Dragon's Hd.'s do	...	1	6	0	do.
Jupiter's do.	...	0	11	19	do.

Total		3	10	19	do.
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Yrs. Mths. Dys.

Jupiter's sub-period expires at the age of		0	4	11
Saturn's do. do. do.		1	11	11
Mercury's do. do. do.		3	4	11
Dragon's Tail's do. do. do.		3	11	11
Venus' do. do. do.		5	7	11
Sun's do. do. do.		6	1	11

It will thus be seen that the Queen's age at the expiry of the Moon's period was 6 years 1 month 11 days.

The next period is that of Mars, which rules for seven years. Add this to the above age and we get 13 years 1 month 11 days, the age at expiry of Mars' period. After Mars comes the Dragon's Head, which rules for eighteen years, bringing us to the age of 31 years 1 month 11 days. Then Jupiter, with a period of sixteen years, reaching to the age of 47 years 1 month 11 days. Next Saturn, with nineteen years for its period, rules to the age of 66 years 1 month 11 days. Next Mercury, whose period is seventeen years, brings us up to the age of 83 years 1 month 11 days.

These periods can be set out according to the example given in the Moon's period, and the age progressively shown at the expiry of each sub-period.

We must now pass to a consideration of some of the more important of the rules by which judgment is made of the effects of the different planets when acting as significators in the horoscope or in the various periods and sub-periods.

(To be continued.)

In the figure for the winter quarter, Mars was in the ninth house in opposition to the Moon. This, of course, signified storms at sea, shipwrecks, and loss of life. How thoroughly this was borne out by facts may be judged from an official statement in the House of Commons to the effect that, between December 20th and January 17th, four hundred lives were lost in the gales round the British coast,

Editor's Page.

THE NEW ASTROLOGICAL SOCIETY.

ON page 205 will be found the first reply to our remarks in last month's page. We have received many important letters on the subject, but shall refrain from further comment until they have been published. The suggestion thrown out by "Sepharial" will give those who do not agree with *our* plan an opportunity of suggesting further improvement upon it. We may state that what we said on page 180 we shall adhere to in the main, but we will enlarge upon the plan later.

PECULIAR.

The following note concerning twins has been sent me from America : Though born within ten minutes of each other, one was born on one day, and the other on the day following ; one was born in one month, and the other in the succeeding month ; one was born in one year and the other in the next year—that is to say, one was born at 11.55 o'clock Monday night, December 31st, 1894, and the other at 12.5 o'clock, Tuesday morning, January 1st, 1895.

BEGINNERS.

Many new subscribers write to ask for information concerning the best books to enable them to study Astrology, and as there may be many others who are desirous of obtaining the same information, we will here inform all intending students that the simple lessons by "Aphorel" in the first volume of this magazine (price 6s. 6d.) will instruct them better than any other work upon the subject. "Raphael's" *Key* (price 1s.) is the cheapest little book, and the outlay is so small that it is placed within the reach of all.

The lunation of January 25th fell in the middle of the sixth house of the figure for the Sun's ingress into Capricorn. (Compare pages 147 and 139). The luminaries being badly afflicted, this coincided with various epidemic outbreaks. There was an outbreak of scarlet fever in London, traced to infection from the country through the medium of milk. There was also a recrudescence of influenza in London ; and in Hamburg, 930 fresh cases of influenza were registered in one week. The Prince of Wales was under medical treatment during February for a cough and severe indisposition. Mars was transiting the opposition of the radical Sun in the Prince's figure.

Degrees of the Zodiac Symbolized.

(Continued from page 186.)

L I B R A .

FIRST DEGREE.—A man with drawn sword in an aggressive attitude.

It denotes a person of martial and quarrelsome character, ever ready to pick a quarrel and to rush into danger. Such an one will fight his way through life with little regard to the feelings and prejudices of others, and, though he may become notorious for his executive readiness, he will meet with disgrace and trouble through his impetuosity. There is danger of a fatality at the hands of the native. He will do well to keep his action under control. It is a degree of *Wounding*.

2nd degree.—A man in the garb of a doctor of the monastic order (*misericordi*).

It denotes a person of kindly and human disposition, but very melancholic and predisposed to religious mania. The native will possess a high order of intellect, capable of investigating the laws of the most recondite sciences, inclined to spiritual pursuits and to the monastic life. It is a degree of *Searching*.

3rd degree.—A man in chains.

It denotes a person of reticent and self-centred character, disposed to take life according to his own views and beliefs. He will suffer much in consequence, and will be estranged from his people, will be often in distress for the means of a livelihood, and will at some time in his life be deprived of his freedom. It is a degree of *Binding*.

4th degree.—A man with a broken plough standing in an open field.

It indicates a person of fair abilities, but one who will suffer from lack of opportunity in life. He will be debarred from reaping the fruits due to him by reason of misfortune and hindrance in the early stages of his worldly career. He will more than once lose his office, and will be reduced to necessity of menial work. His life will be difficult and troublesome. He will have a taste for farming or for cultivation in some form. It is a degree of *Privation*.

5th degree.—A red triangle.

It indicates a person of high intelligence, lofty aspirations, but very

prone to the use of force instead of persuasion. A man who is always getting in front of himself, so to speak, losing his temper against his desire, and letting his energies run away with his reason. He will be in danger of hurt by the sword or by fire. He must be careful of the martial element. It is a degree of *Impulse*.

(To be continued.)

Mundane Astrology.



THE map strengthens the vernal ingress, and will develop the predictions made concerning it.

The masses generally may benefit, but the ruling Powers have determined opposition to fight against, and their defeat is assured.

The fifth house is badly placed, and if, as is supposed, the licensed victuallers' trade is governed by it, then their prospects are very far from bright. Probably the County Council may have their vigilant eyes upon them. Theatres, schools, and places of amusement will suffer.

At New York, the luminaries are in the first house, and Saturn is in opposition to Venus, ruler of the second. This is not good for their financial affairs. The position of Uranus seems to indicate many sudden deaths, and many, I fear, will die through violence.

Astrological Society.

IN review of the proposed suggestion to form an Astrological College—a suggestion which appears to be the outcome of previous attempts to excite a co-operative movement among astrologers in this and other countries—I am of opinion that it is highly desirable to form some such general association of individuals interested in the study of Astrology. It remains to be seen to what extent the individual is willing to subserve the wider and more effective polity of a federation in which privilege and recognition are given to all members in equal degree. It would be strange, indeed, if the common object of association could not outweigh all merely personal considerations of merit, distinction, and the like ; and whereas we find everywhere in existence societies for the propagation of sciences, arts and philosophies, including the humblest as well as the most distinguished of their respective voteries, it would, I say, be a lamentable confession of egotistic weakness if astrologers, the world over, could not so bind themselves together for the advantage of a common cause.

Before, however, indicating what lines such an association should follow, or what form of organisation seems to me the most reasonable and likely of success, I beg leave to pass in review one or two of the suggestions you have made.

1. The idea of an inner and outer school is to me repulsive, for the reason that it promotes distinctions which are opposed to the general object in view, viz., the dissemination of truths appertaining to the astrological science. What is good to be known by one man is good to be known by all, without prejudice to society at large, since natural selection will determine the equation of knowledge and power, of power and moral responsibility. Every man has a right to a full statement of the truth, as far as known ; and his power of assimilation will of itself determine his measure of possible knowledge. It is better to have thoroughly informed students than partially informed ones, if we intend a fair representation of Astrology to the world. All this “inner and outer,” “esoteric and exoteric,” should be swept right out of the field of consideration, I think.

2. The idea of “examinations,” by which “inner” is determined from “outer,” is to me objectionable. Personally, were I to join the

association—and I certainly *should* do so, were it formed—I should elect to be a member of the “outer” school, and to remain there always, so that what knowledge I could impart to others would be without prejudice to my fellows of the more interior degree of illumination.

Then, again, who would stand as Examiner? I should imagine that it would be with extreme diffidence that the best among us would be pressed into such a position, especially when it comes to a question of *Esoteric Astrology*. I fully recognise the existence of such an aspect of our art; but I can only say for my own part that, if it is to remain Esoteric, it must be kept from me, for I opine that what can instruct and illustrate my own mind may be of benefit to others also—and that constitutes their moral right to it.

That is why I hope “the printer” made an awful mistake in setting up the words “this latter is imperative,” against the statement that persons belonging to the outer school could be admitted to the inner school only after an examination in *Esoteric Astrology*!

My own idea of an Astrological Association may be stated in a few clauses:—1. Open to all persons who either study Astrology or are interested in the same. 2. A suitable entrance fee and an annual subscription should be required of each member. 3. To save expense of organisation, etc., the Association should solicit representation in the *Astrologers' Magazine*, providing arrangements could be made by which every member could receive a *free* copy of same. 4. Failing this, a journal of some nature should be started and supported by the subscriptions of members. 5. An annual meeting of a representative character should be held. 6. Each member upon joining should be supplied with a Badge, or Seal—the copyright of the Association—which could be used in letter-writing, or used as a stamp beneath the sign-manual of the member in any work, professional or literary, which may emanate from such member. (A rubber stamp for these purposes would be most suitable). 7. No paid officials, all work being gratuitous, and for the good of the cause.

All other matters, such as utilization of funds, conditions of membership, rules of Association, and the like, could be determined at an inaugural meeting held, say, in London, or at such place whence the majority of support should proceed at the outset.

“SEPHARIAL.”

The Eclipses of 1895.

BY "SEPHARIAL."

(Continued from page 184.)

THE second eclipse of the year is that of the Sun on the 26th day of March, in the sixth degree of Aries, at nine minutes past ten in the morning. At the ecliptic conjunction, the fourth degree of \mathfrak{X} is culminating, and the eighth of \mathfrak{S} rising in the latitude and longitude of London.

The luminaries are conjoined on the cusp of the eleventh house. Venus is in γ in the eleventh house; \mathfrak{J} and \mathfrak{U} are in π in the twelfth; \mathfrak{h} and \mathfrak{W} in \mathfrak{m} in the fifth house; while Mercury holds the meridian in the eighth degree of Pisces. It is said that an eclipse in the first decanate of Aries denotes: "The motion of armies, continual expeditions, assaults and batteries, with many tumults, seditions and controversies, and an inclination of the air to intemperate heat and drought."

This eclipse falls in \square aspect to the great mutation Conjunction of Saturn and Jupiter in \mathfrak{v} in 1842, and may be expected to stir up some of the troubles and changes denoted thereby.

In Cardinal Signs the eclipses are found to be of short effect, but violent in their operation, affecting largely the animal life of the country in whose sign the eclipse may fall and wherever it may be visible. In Aries it is said to cause heat and drought, and to affect with violence the passions of men.

The sign occupied here is the Ruling Sign of England! Falling in the first decanate it will stir up wars and feuds.

The eleventh house, wherein the eclipse falls, governs the Inland Revenue, the Royal Exchequer, the national allies, and the nobility of the country. All these will suffer from the present eclipse. There will be deaths among the English nobility in rapid succession during the period of this ecliptic influence.

Observe the Moon in the sign of Mars, and ruling the Ascendant. Without doubt the people of this country will suffer a series of calamities; and insurrections, strikes, open hostilities, and incendiary attempts will be much in evidence. Some epidemic of a martial and inflammatory nature affecting the head will be very prevalent during the months of April and May. The indications seem to point to influenza, or the

more formidable importation called "La Grippe." As Sagittarius occupies the sixth house, and \mathcal{U} is in π , lung complaints will be more than usually prevalent. Mars in the twelfth will stir up secret violence, and incendiary or anarchist movements will gain headway.

As the Sun rules the third house, this country may lose a powerful ally; especially as the Sun is eclipsed on the cusp of the eleventh.

The House of Lords will hardly know how to act in the face of such demonstrations as may be expected from the Moon (ruler of the horoscope) eclipsing the Sun. Ministers of State will find their task a difficult one, and deaths among Her Majesty's Ministers may be expected to occur soon after this eclipse. At St. Petersburg the eclipse will be in the meridian. Terrible calamities will fall upon the Government there, if not upon the person of the Tsar.

The presence of Saturn and Uranus in the fifth house warns the inspectors of sanitation to look well after their work, or typhoid fever will be slaying thousands of the children of this country, and epidemics of a poisonous nature, connected with sewage and draining, will be numerous.

The Government will be in a very weak condition, as is evident from the position of Mercury in its debility in the tenth house, and a good deal of criticism will be directed against it. Jupiter, too, ruling the M. C., is in the twelfth in its fall.

Venus in the eleventh in γ should give support to the Irish cause, but is afflicted by \mathfrak{h} R.

There will be earthquake shocks in the Grecian Archipelago soon after this eclipse, and it is not unlikely that the troubles which are signified in the figure for Asia Minor will cause sharp fighting there and many evils. Some of the worst evils will be felt in the political world of those places falling near the thirtieth degree of east longitude, viz., St. Petersburg and Constantinople; while in the physical world the worst effects will fall in the sixtieth degree of east longitude, where Saturn will be in the lower meridian.

Students will do well to observe the 19th and 26th April, the 10th May and the 5th June for some of the effects of this eclipse. Taken in connection with the preceding lunar eclipse, this conjunction of the luminaries is of extreme significance. It ultimates for England at the end of May.

Dated 16th January, 1895.

"SEPHARIAL."

NOTE.—At Washington the twentieth degree of Sagittarius is on

M. C., and $\times 12^\circ$ rising. The eclipse falls in the first house, and the \odot rules the sixth; Saturn and Uranus being in the eighth and ♂ in the third house. Jupiter ruling the M. C. is in the fourth in its debility π ; and these indications denote a change in the administration of Government; much sickness among the people by heat and fever; and deaths of a tragic nature by drowning and poison. There will also be destructive railway accidents, and a financial deadlock in some direction. Popular feeling will run very high soon after this eclipse.—S.

Observations on the "Centiloquy;"

OR, THE ONE HUNDRED APHORISMS OF CLAUDIUS PTOLEMY.

BY "APHOREL."

(Continued from page 189.)

PRELIMINARY REMARKS.

APHOR. 6.—It is advantageous to make choice of days and hours at a time well constituted by the nativity. Should the time be adverse, the choice will in no respect avail, however favorable an issue it may chance to promise.

OBSERVATION.—This aphorism clearly points to the doctrine of "Elections," of which pertinent allusion has been frequently made in these pages, and examples have been given showing that, when certain works on the science have been produced "Elections" *could not have been made, or*, the time of *production*, was not well constituted by the nativity. It has been repeatedly pointed out that unless the directions (at the time of making an "election") are favorable, no good or permanent result will be assured. As the student will see, this is strongly emphasised in the concluding portion of the foregoing aphorism.

APHOR. 7.—The mingled influence of the stars can be understood by no one who has not previously acquired knowledge of the combinations and varieties existing in nature.

OBSERVATION.—This points out the intricacies of the science, and how futile it is to attempt to give a delineation or a judgment unless the various aspects, positions, strength, or debilities, &c., of the various planets be well weighed. Notice the words "mingled influence," for how rarely do we find a planet free from cross aspects; for example,

the ♀ may be in Δ to ♀, and at the same time in □ to ♀, and were judgment only to be given on the first aspect, it is quite within the bounds of possibility that the latter aspect (□) might reduce the good promised by the Δ to an irreducible minimum. The latter part of the aphorism is decidedly clear.

APHOR. 8.—A sagacious mind improves the operations of the heavens, as a skilful farmer, by cultivation, improves nature.

OBSERVATION.—Herein we learn that "knowledge is power," and an astrologer who knows (having calculated his "directions") the period when the planetary influences are favorable, cultivates them, either by speculating, buying, or selling, agreeably to what is pointed out in the horoscope, and thus, to use a homely proverb, "makes hay whilst the sun shines." This aphorism clearly points out *one* of the advantages of Astrology.

APHOR. 9.—In their generation and corruption forms are influenced by the celestial forms, of which the framers of talismans consequently avail themselves, by observing the ingresses of the stars thereupon.

OBSERVATION.—To the ordinary astrological student the first part of this aphorism only obtains; it refers to cause and effect, sympathy and antipathy, a doctrine we have ever taught, viz., a thorough knowledge of the natures of the planets. The latter part bears upon talismanic magic in the formula of which certain influences must be operating when the talismans are made, but as this is a danger, in the hands of a novice, nothing further must be said upon the subject. Those interested will find *some* meagre information in Raphael I. "Astrologer of the XIX. century," Barrett's "Magus," and (I think) in Sibly's "Illustration of the Occult Sciences."

APHOR. 10.—In the election of days and hours, make use of the malefics to the same moderate extent as the skilful physician would use poisons in order to effect cures.

OBSERVATION.—This is an aphorism relating to "elections," and bears out the saying of Solomon—"there is a time for everything" as the advanced student will know, all the good or benefit people receive does not always come from ♀ or ♀; if the object for which the election is made be gain the lord of the second house must be considered and such lord may be Mars, Uranus, or even the greater malefic Saturn, Jupiter having only a subsidiary signification, therefore the election must be made when such ruler of the second house is well

aspected, favorably placed, and receiving the good aspects of the planets bearing upon the matter.

APHOR. 11.—A day and hour are not to be elected until the quality of the object proposed be known.

OBSERVATION.—The term "quality of the object" is somewhat vague. It may mean that the querent must make up his mind *definitely* as to what he desires an election for, such as a journey, a speculation, &c., &c. I am inclined to think our author implies "be decided ere you make an election."

APHOR. 12.—Love and hatred prohibit the true accomplishment of judgments; and, inasmuch as they lessen the most important, so likewise they magnify the most trivial things.

OBSERVATION.—This proves that one must not be biassed when judging a figure, hence many are of opinion that it is best for an astrologer not to judge his own figure, for one is inclined to over-estimate the good and minimise the bad; in fact, to put too much on the "credit side of one's ledger." Don't allow personalities to enter into your delineations, or a one-sided, defective judgment is sure to result.

APHOR. 13.—In every indication made by the constitution of the heavens, secondary stars, whether auxiliary or injurious thereto, are also to be used.

OBSERVATION.—I am of opinion that what our author means is this: if an event is promised by a direction, note well if there is any influence in operation likely to nullify it, whether from a transit, or even a *fixed star*: the latter are not much regarded by modern astrologers. It might be politic and useful to notice them. A list was given in No. 30 of the *Astrologer's Magazine*.

APHOR. 14.—The astrologer will be entangled in a labyrinth of error, when the seventh house, and its lord be afflicted.

OBSERVATION.—This relates to Horary Astrology, and although many are of this opinion, I am not, for if a student is consulted, and a figure drawn having the above affliction the student must be extra careful, and only give a decided answer when he or she has well weighed all the testimonies for or against, I am inclined to regard the sixth house and its lord for the astrologer, as he or she is for the time the *servant of the querent*, and the sixth house is the house of servants, but the student will be wise in being cautious when either house (or their rulers) are affected.

The Real Basis of Astrology.

[EXTRACT FROM "THE PATH."]

(Continued from page 166.)

LOCAL transits are extremely simple and are generally employed by professional astrologers. They are based upon the direct motion of the planets around the Sun. While to the observer of the heavens night after night the planets which are visible appear to retain about the same relative position to each other, in reality they are moving onward at varying rates of speed, and each night take a slightly different position. While our earth completes the circuit of the Sun in one year, it takes about thirty years for Saturn to finish his orbit. Each planet has a different rate of speed. Hence the combinations of position that arise daily are practically infinite. The local transits are the transits of one planet over the place of another in any nativity. They produce the minor events of life, the daily cares, annoyances, triumphs, and joys which everyone has, but which do not as a rule occasion any lasting effect. If, however, there is a coincidence of several evil transits at about the same time, particularly if the primary and secondary directions are also bad, then serious results may be expected. It is said that even primary directions cannot take effect without having transits of a similar nature to work through, and on this account many professional astrologers ignore primary directions altogether, claiming that the local transits furnish all the data required for making predictions. In reality the reason for such omission is the difficulty of computing such primary directions. Local transits, on the other hand, require no mathematical skill or labor. The positions of the planets from day to day are given in every ephemeris or almanac published.

EMPIRICAL RULES.

It may be inferred from the foregoing hasty sketch of the main features of Astrology that there is much in the science, as at present taught and practised, which cannot be understood. We read the rules laid down in the books, but no analysis is able to make clear to us their reason. Taking the aspects, for instance, no one can tell why a square, which implies four, should consist of only three signs of the Zodiac, while trine, implying three, should in reality embrace four signs or houses.* Many other perplexing features arise to embarrass the student. It may be admitted without argument that a large part of

the science is empirical. We have simply inherited a mass of rules and aphorisms which may be applied blindly, and our only consolation is that when properly used they generally bring about results which tally with the actual facts. We may not know why a certain direction in some person's horoscope will produce decidedly good or malefic effects, but that such effects are produced is proven to us again and again—until even the most sceptical must acknowledge the verification. Perhaps the empiricism is incident to the materialism of the age. It may be that with greater psychic development, or at any rate development of the intuitive intelligence, many of these blind rules will be made plain.

PRESENT ASTROLOGICAL STATUS.

In the meanwhile it is not by any means safe to sneer at this most ancient of all sciences, or even to belittle its importance at the present day. The mistakes of professional astrologers, the vain pretences of vulgar charlatans, the lack of earnest and thorough study on the part of those who are by nature qualified to succeed in it, are all drawbacks which combine to hide a knowledge of Astrology from the world at large, and thus render it essentially occult. Yet no one can investigate its claims in an unprejudiced spirit, or even pursue the study of it to a limited extent, without coming across sufficient evidence to prove that there is really something in it—that it is not all a mere imaginary scheme. Individual assertion is, of course, of little value in a matter of this kind, else the testimony of the wisest men of all ages would not be so contemptuously disregarded as it is by the self-sufficient, materialistic, scientific writers of to-day. Doubtless there is room for improvement in the art and practice of Astrology as it is now set forth, yet the errors and misconceptions of its practitioners are far more than outweighed by the constant verification of its rules and principles. What it wants is not ignorant abuse and denunciation, but serious investigation and study. Perhaps the twentieth century, whose dawn is already heralded by a widening of the range of human thought and a breaking down of the old walls of bigotry, will develop some intuitive soul who will see through the veils of empiricism by which Astrology is now obscured, and so lift it up to the plane where it rightfully belongs as one of the keys to the mysteries of life and cosmic evolution.

GEORGE E. WRIGHT.

*Our author trips here. A square is the fourth part of the circle, and therefore embraces three signs only. A trine is the third part of the circle, and therefore embraces four signs.—Ed.

Penny-a-Liners.

"CASSELL'S SATURDAY JOURNAL" has the following under the heading of "Strange Things that are Bought and Sold." "Even in these enlightened times, astrologers and fortune-tellers still find eager dupes, as the police-court records can testify." The writer of that article has been duped, and it does not need a police-court to testify to it either. He simply dupes himself; but he is going to find that these times are enlightened after all, not with the enlightenment required to read his trash, but an enlightenment that looks upon him and his class with pity for their ignorance. This dupe has not the brains sufficient to become an astrologer himself, and as he knows full well that seventy-five per cent. of his readers are on a par with himself, he feels safe in classing astrologers with card players, and pretenders to a science they know nothing of. Now had this clever individual mentioned the dupes to be found every day in commerce, bogus companies, &c., then his wit would have been of value, but his courage is not equal to a task of this kind. Soon his day will have passed, and real thought will supplant this mushroom intellect that pretends to criticise what it is not only afraid of, but does not understand.

A smart young man called on me one day for what he called an interview. This is how it began: "I want you to tell me something about Astrology." I did so, going into the subject, and telling him something of the nature of the planets, but he soon had enough. "Oh! but I want you to tell about the fools who come to you." This was quite enough for me, and he quickly found out the mistake he had made and turned round and said, "But you surely don't believe in Astrology?" "Well," I replied, "give me the time of your birth, and I will satisfy you as to what I know about your inner life and weakest point?" But he was not the only one who called and found it impossible to make copy out of Astrology, as we believe in it.

The great fault of the literary folk to-day is their pandering to the lower-brain intellect. They cannot summon up the courage to lead modern thought, but they must follow the lower public taste. They will, however, soon have to recognise that there is a very strong dividing line between the quack fortune-teller and the astrologer, and

it is our duty to at once teach them this difference, not that they will ever be of any personal gain to us, for they come of a stock that has run in a groove of its own for centuries, and the end of that groove to them is £ s. d., but all we want is the truth, and nothing but the truth, not slanderous statements about our finding eager dupes. This implies that *we* are either fools or rogues, but they have not proved us to be either yet, and until they do the laugh is on our side.

Notes on Recent Events.

Our prediction that "very little progress will be made in Government affairs" (p. 147) was borne out by events. The Government did not meet with actual defeat, but its majorities were very low and it accomplished nothing in the direction of the reading of Bills. On February 12th, Sir William Harcourt stated that this year's Budget would contain no provision for payment of Members; and this caused great dissatisfaction among the Radicals, and partially fulfilled our forecast (page 191) that the Budget would be unsatisfactory. On February 21st, there was a motion proposed against the Government protesting against the imposition of a tax in India on cotton goods, this being supposed to affect Lancashire. On the day before the motion it was anticipated by both sides that the Government majority would be very low, if not a minus quantity; but in the end the Opposition collapsed, and the Government scored. On this day the Moon was passing through Capricorn, the ruling sign of India. The prediction, based on the entry of Saturn into Scorpio, to the effect that the Irish Members would once more be found voting against the Government, was partially fulfilled on February 11th, when a Parnellite (Home Rule) Amendment, directed against the Government, was debated and lost by a small majority. The culmination of Jupiter at the lunation next preceding the meeting of Parliament brought good fortune to the Government in the shape of the gain of a seat at the Colchester bye-election on February 19th.

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The presence of two cold-producing planets in Scorpio has coincided with an extremely cold winter. The snow first fell in the south of England, about January 6th, when the Sun was nearing the sextile of Uranus. This continued for about a week, when the opposition of Mars to Saturn dispersed the frost for a while; but then the square of Saturn at the latter part of the month brought back snow and ice and a lower temperature than has been known for many years past. The square of Mars to the Sun proved insufficient to break up the cold, for it was immediately succeeded by the square of Uranus. It was not until the influence of the Sun's trine to a stationary Jupiter had been brought to bear that a thaw definitely set in about February 18th. It was apparently the double square from Scorpio into Aquarius that produced the intense cold while the Sun was passing through the latter sign. It will be worth while noticing the weather and the mundane events that will be produced between April 20th and May 21st, when Saturn and Uranus will be opposing the Sun. Unsettled weather, many deaths, the death of some eminent people, financial crises, and money troubles, are to be expected, with earthquakes.

Letters to the Editor.

Letters of general interest alone are inserted. Correspondents desiring reply must please enclose a stamped addressed envelope.

All correspondents should give full name and address, not necessarily for publication, but as a token of good faith.

ASTROLOGICAL SOCIETY.

DEAR SIR,—I am pleased to see an attempt made once again to start an Astrological Society, and I hope it may meet with success. But there is one criticism I must make, and that is with respect to "Esoteric Astrology." I do not think it would be wise to have an Inner Ring of esotericists, or to have any official connection with esotericism at all. It would cause jealousy amongst those outside the magic circle, and the Society would have the elements of disruption in it from the first. Let those who imagine themselves to be in possession of any esoteric Astrology associate together unofficially, if they choose; but I do not think there is the slightest likelihood of the general body of astrologers allowing themselves to be led by a secret and unknown assemblage.

I think an Astrological Society could do useful work in collecting, arranging, and publishing facts bearing upon the various departments of the science. The series of Infantile Mortality figures that appeared in the last volume partially illustrates the kind of work that could be undertaken. Definite data such as these should be collected along various lines—children, marriage, longevity, death, wealth, &c; they should then all pass through the hands of capable men, and finally be edited and published by some competent editor. Transactions such as these could be published by the Society to its members at a minimum above cost price and at an increased price to outsiders. The Society might also undertake the examining of horoscopes for its members, and the teaching of Astrology to beginners.

I sincerely hope some definite start may be made in the matter, and that the result may be to place Astrology upon a firmer footing. LEO.

DEAR SIR,—You say "nothing is so important as a Society of Astrologers," and I may add that nothing is so difficult to form, because the majority of astrologers are under $\text{H}\ddot{\text{g}}$, and we know what an unruly, independent, disobedient planet he is.

The Astrologers' Bureau was a splendid idea, and would have resulted in much good; superficially, I do not see where the great financial loss comes in.

The Astrologers' College is also good, but I do not know where the *esoteric* instruction is to come from, or what is intended to be meant by this term. However, you may count on my support, as I consider a Society of some sort very necessary.

Yours faithfully,

"RAPHAEL."

DEAR SIR,—I have perused "Sepharial's" recent work on "Kabalistic Astrology" with much pleasure, and I consider it a most valuable addition to our astrological publications, and shall anxiously await his next manual. "Sepharial" assuredly deserves, and has the thanks of the astrological world for the lucid and able manner in which he has set off his explanations.

I would like to ask if degree of Sun taken at exact moment of birth will answer as well as from the table he has set off in the early part of the work?

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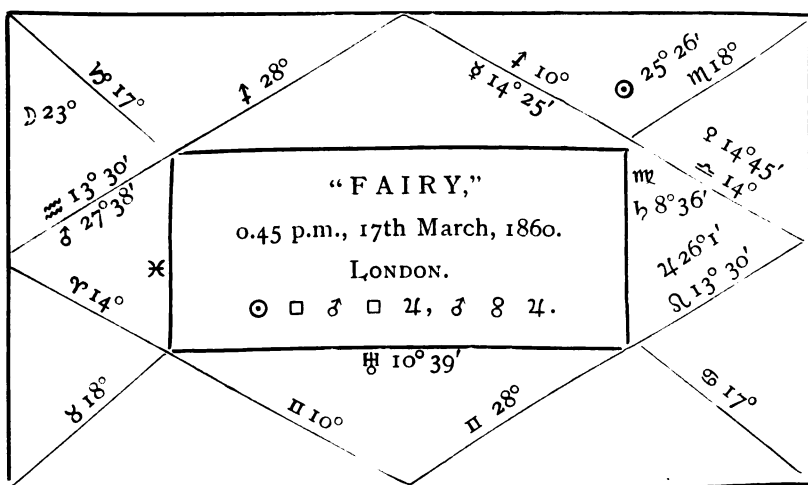
Marriage.

By ALAN-LEO.

(Continued from page 194).

DURING the publication of these articles, we have had several requests from the single portion of our readers to help them in finding a partner, and it has been pointed out that our ability to compare the horoscopes of intending candidates for the matrimonial stakes would prevent any likelihood of serious mistakes being made. Now we are quite willing to keep a list, privately, of those who are anxious for introductions to suitable partners, providing those who wish to avail themselves of the list will send us their exact time of birth and a fee of five shillings to cover the cost of correspondence, &c. This is not a matrimonial paper, but we may be of service to those who want reliable assistance and recommendations that are trustworthy. Benedicts and spinsters, 5/- please, and your time of birth, with particulars of requirements.

In looking through my private book, I have discovered two cases that, by way of a change, may prove interesting. The marriages should have taken place, but did not through causes that I will explain. The first is that of an actress, though, I may add, not a very famous one. She was to have been married just previous to her thirtieth birthday to a rising young lawyer in Ireland, but he died suddenly before the marriage could be consummated. I can well remember the pain it gave her to tell me her sad story. It was the one trouble of her life, and is very plainly shown in her figure, by Saturn in the seventh afflicting the Moon, and Sun square Jupiter, and Mars, Sun (ruler of seventh), and Jupiter in seventh. The following is the horoscope:—



Her intended was born about seven p.m., February 9th, 1864 (Dublin). He was a widower at twenty-four, and died March 1st, 1890. I believe he was drowned, but am not sure on this point.

The next had hopes of being married, but they were never fulfilled. Instead, she gave birth to a son at 4.8 p.m., July 21st, 1894, and it died 5 p.m., October 25th, the same year. She has still hopes of marrying the father.

The following may also be of interest :—Job S. was born at 5 p.m., July 23rd, 1874. Was married on Boxing-day, 1894, and the first child was born at 11.20 a.m., January 5th, 1895—a girl. On and off he had done no work for a twelve-month, and since his marriage he has not done a day's work. His wife was born June 12th, 1874. Job was a source of endless worry to his mother ; he enlisted, and was bought off ; he frequently left home without warning, and always returned in a starving condition. He is the best specimen of the "ne'er-do-well" I ever met. His father has been bed-ridden for ten years with muscular atrophy. He was born at 1.45 a.m., April 13th, 1845, Lancashire.

Under the February lunation (p. 182), we predicted a "harrassing time" for the Government, and that it would be "hard work for them to steer clear of defeat." This has been fulfilled in various ways. The London County Council Election on March 2nd resulted in a large gain to the Moderate Party, contrary to expectation, so that the previous Progressive majority was reduced nearly to vanishing point. The Conservatives have taken heart at this, regarding it as an omen of the next General Election. On March 5th, Sir Joseph Weston, Liberal M.P. for East Bristol, died. His successor, also a Liberal, was elected on March 22nd, but with a very considerably reduced majority.

Palmistry Astrologised.

By "VIOLA."

(Continued from page 196).

THE girdle of Venus is a curved line formed just below the roots of the fingers, and running above the heart line. It gives strong sex instincts; when very thick, long, and deep, it gives tendencies to an intemperate and lustful career. The line of Saturn extends through hollow of hand to mount of middle finger; when long and clearly defined, it indicates karma, or fate, is physically good; if it slopes at line of heart, or is broken, then it shows love troubles (answering in Astrology to an affliction of Saturn and Venus); if at line of head, trouble is shown through business, loss of finance, and difficulties in monetary, and in an educational way; if the line of life is broken as well in each hand, a short life—cut short by fate—may be predicted; the line of Saturn twisted, or spiral fashion, like a corkscrew, shows, as far as it goes, that period of the life to be unhappy; if just beyond the restricta, it indicates the first years of life; if between head and heart lines, middle of the life; if beyond heart line, end of life. On this line adversity and prosperity are to be read, and often one sees unhappiness followed by joy, and *vice versa*; this can invariably be depended upon. This line deficient is an evil sign portending many evils; if it tends backward into the hollow of the hand towards the mount of Moon, after the form of a semi-circle, it threatens imprisonment!

The line of the heart is next to the girdle of Venus.

It generally starts from the mount of Saturn, but, now and again, it is found starting from Jupiter's mount. This is a very good portent, indicating sincere and unchanging affection, a deep and constant love nature; its only drawback is a tendency to jealousy. On this line is recorded broken engagements and heart sorrows generally; also physical ills, such as heart disease, palpitation, &c., and thus requires nice judgment to decide. According to its uninterrupted course, so are the physical and mental feelings satisfactory. If broken under the mount of the Sun, you would judge pride had severed two hearts; if under Saturn, fate; if under Mercury, deceit or treachery. You would note what lines intersected it, and from whence they started. If a line cuts it from Moon's mount, female treachery or imagination.

(To be continued.)

Invocation to the Vernal Sun.

(A VEDIC HYMN.)

O! quickening Fount of Life,
Sun-Soul supernal ;
Impenetrating stream
Of Light whose every beam
Instinctive is and rife
With Love eternal :
Lord of the stars and skies
King of the earth and sea,
List while our anthems rise
In praise of thee !

Greatest of all great Gods in all seven spheres,
Regent of space, and Lord of countless years,
Who first did spring from out eternal night,
Piercing its sombre veil with thy swift light ;
Thou who did'st live when Time was yet unborn,
The spirit, soul, and substance of primeval morn,
That roused the Gods from out their lengthen'd sleep
What time thy spirit-self had brooded o'er the deep :
Then, from thy sacred heart, ethereal, unalloyed,
The seven great worlds sevenfold refulgent sprang
The Gods did shout, the heavens were overjoyed,
And all the morning stars together sang !
Thy living beams, infilling all the scene,
Burned in each orb, and knit the space between
To ether vault and circumambient air,
That breathed thy life and shed it everywhere ;
Whose power, pervading all, attracts, unites,
Binds with a lasting link, sustains, enhances,
And adds to all a beauty that invites
The liquid light of thy love-lingering glances !
Come, glorious Power ! and from thy golden tresses
Shake down on us the blossoms of the spring ;
Lo ! how the earth responds to thy caresses,
And how in praise of thee the wild birds sing !
Look down on us from thy so lofty sphere,
Wrap and enfold us in thine ardent rays ;
Yea, glorious God, we hail thy presence here,
Soul of the Sun, we yield thee thanks and praise !
Lord of the stars and skies,
King of the earth and sea,
List while our anthems rise
In praise of thee !

Editor's Page.

ASTROLOGICAL SOCIETY, OR BUREAU.

WE have asked "Sepharial" to give the text of the original idea—the then proposed bureau; and on page 226 will be found what he has to say upon the matter, and it is particularly requested that those who are in favor of the Bureau idea over that of a Society will kindly at once send in their names, so that something practical may be done. We are desirous of giving our assistance to that scheme which has the sanction of the majority of our readers, and it now lies with them to say which they will lend their support to. If there is any improvement upon the propositions already stated, we shall be pleased to ventilate them in these pages.

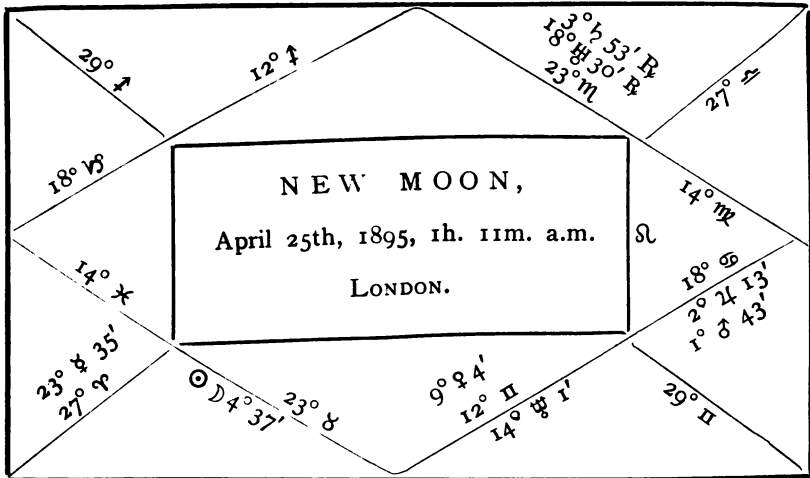
ESOTERIC ASTROLOGY.

What is Esoteric Astrology? It is the Soul of Astronomy, and the Spirit of Astrology; that which deals with the higher part of man's nature as apart from his personality. Only those who can think deeply in the abstract will ever understand the true meaning of Esoteric Astrology. It is through the neglect of this branch that Astrology generally has been so little understood. "The fool has said in his heart there is no God." The vain pretender to the science of the stars does not believe in the deeper symbology of the planets, for he cannot understand that which does not deal with externals. But there is an Esoteric Astrology, and happy is the pilgrim who has found this haven of assurance and rest while on the Path that leads to Divine Wisdom, for it is not Astrology so-called, that is one of the keys, but the esoteric portion of it, and only the true son of Uranus will find it out. It will not be found in books, but in that part of man's consciousness which is ever seeking to rise into the subjective world state, called the Ideal World.

"THE METAPHYSICAL MAGAZINE."

We have received a copy of a new journal published in America, entitled *The Metaphysical Magazine*. We congratulate our American readers in being able to obtain such literature, and we hope the advanced thoughts of America will give its unstinted support to the Metaphysical Publishing Company, and encourage them in their bold enterprise.

Mundane Astrology.



CAPRICORN rises, its ruler Saturn being retrograde in the ninth house in opposition to the two luminaries. This will cause storms at sea and the loss of many lives by drowning, and will affect the shipping trade and exports disastrously. Accidents by rail and river are also to be expected.

The place where the lutation falls—5° 8'—is in the seventh house of the figure for the Spring Quarter (p. 181). This will cause trouble in our foreign relations; questions of finance and taxation may be discussed and bring us annoyance abroad. The Government will not be strong, and will meet with misfortunes; the Budget and financial measures will be a source of trouble; some eminent person in the State will die, and sickness will attack many. The country will not be healthy; the rich and the upper classes will especially suffer. Matters concerning religion will be adversely affected.

In Ireland, and along the west coast of England and Scotland, Uranus will be closer to the cusp of the tenth house; therefore, the Government may expect to meet with trouble in those parts. The culmination of Saturn in the middle of the Atlantic will bring disaster on ships. Rumours of war and revolution, and troubles to rulers may be expected in South America.

At Washington, 21° ♊ rises with Uranus on the cusp. The lunation is in the sixth in opposition to Saturn in the twelfth. Strikes and much crime are to be expected, with an epidemic in some part of the States; much illness generally, and a great many deaths. Railway accidents and disasters by sea will occur.

In the neighbourhood of Pekin, Mars and Jupiter will arise. This suggests improved relations between the belligerents; but as the lunation is in the eleventh house afflicted, the Emperor's advisers will be unfortunate, and the country will be very unsettled.

In and about Turkey in Asia and Persia, there will be much danger of war and grave national troubles, for there the lunation will rise, and Saturn and Uranus be setting.

April 26th and May 10th bid fair to be unfortunate periods for money matters, deaths (especially of great people), foreign complications, and strikes.

The Eclipses of 1895.

BY "SEPHARIAL."

(Continued from page 209.)

THE third eclipse of the year 1895 is that of the Sun on August 20th, at 1h. 9m. p.m. (G.M.T.). The fifteenth degree of the sign ♊ is culminating, and ♎ 24° rising in the latitude of London. The planet Mars rules the figure, and he holds the Meridian, with *Cauda Draconis*, in the fifteenth degree of Virgo. The eclipsed luminary holds the twenty-eighth degree of the sign Leo in the ninth house, Mercury being in the same house in ♊ $0^{\circ} 1'$. Venus is in ♋ $2^{\circ} 42'$ in the tenth house; Saturn and Uranus hold sway over the twelfth house in the sign Scorpio, and Jupiter is in Cancer in the eighth. No less than four planets are in signs of their exaltation or rulership. Of these the eclipsed Sun is the most significant. The figure presents some very striking features. Mars, ruler of the Ascendant, is exactly on the Meridian, and breathes out a menace of war and slaughter at no distant date, in which, should England participate, a victory would be gained. But its chief significance has reference to the ruling powers, and notably Her Majesty, who, under the influence of this eclipse, will feel the sting of the Scorpion ere the year has run its course. Observe that

this eclipse ultimates for England on December 24th and rules till then. Mars is lord of the fifth house (sign ♄) *i.e.*, the eighth from the tenth. It is in semi-square to Saturn, near the cusp of the twelfth house (third from the tenth), showing danger during short journeys from secret enemies. The eclipsed luminary, too, is in the twelfth from the tenth, and in the Royal sign Leo. In 1887, on the 19th of August, the ☉ was eclipsed in the twelfth house and in the twenty-sixth degree of Leo. Venus was then in ♊ in the tenth house, conjoined to Uranus; ♄ held the place of ♄ in the present figure, and ♄ held that of Saturn. This eclipse now comes as a confirmation of much that was held in menace by the eclipse of 1887. The "seven days" are passed, and we enter upon the eighth, the worst of all the cycles. There will be death among Royalty; there will be strikes and martial proceedings; public feeling will be very much aggravated now, and riots seem inevitable. Secret enemies from foreign countries will be at their dread work. Fires will be numerous, and some virulent epidemic, affecting the bowels chiefly, will be prevalent in England. Parliamentary affairs will not progress well, and the Government will have a hard fight. Some serious scandal will be brought to light. The Government may suffer disgrace. Educational affairs will be prominent, and matters in relation to the rising generation, and to theatres and places of amusement will occupy public attention. Church affairs will go badly. There will be a death among the most prominent of our Churchmen. The Upper House will have serious odds to contend against.

Nobility in general will suffer, whether in Church or State.

There will be serious calamities on the high seas, for the ☉ rules the ninth house, and is darkened therein.

Eclipses happening in fixed signs produce *earthquakes*, and such usually follow immediately upon the eclipse. Consequently, earthquake shocks will be felt in longitude 47° East, where Saturn is on the Meridian, and in 61° East, where Uranus is in the Meridian at the time of eclipse. It is not unlikely that, as Mars holds the mid-heaven, England may feel some slight shock. Falling in the last decanate of Leo, this eclipse signifies "captivities, slaughters, rapines, and the profanation of sacred places."

In Bokhara, Beloochistan, and Afghanistan there will be tumults and rising, and a change in the political world of those countries.

In Armenia, Turkey in Asia, Russia, and Arabia serious calamities will be soon manifest, for the eclipse falls in the eighth house, and Saturn is on the Meridian of those parts. There will be fighting among the Turks.

In Italy and Austria, Venus holds the Meridian at the eclipse, and being in its own sign and free from affliction, we shall hear of a Royal union, betrothal or, more probably, a marriage. Venus is on the Meridian at Vienna.

Some serious religious revival, or fanatical strife, is likely to occur in our foreign dominions. The political world of Russia and Turkey will be fraught with evils, and the portents are especially evil for Russia.

France, Italy and parts ruled by Leo will feel the effects of this eclipse, and from the fact that it falls in opposition to Russia's ruling sign, with Saturn in the mid-heaven, gives warning of evil days for the Czar.

Persons born in England on or near the 20th August, or whose Moon or Ascendant held the twenty-eighth degree of Leo at birth, will feel the evil effects of this eclipse, and that chiefly about Christmas-tide of 1895.

At Washington, the first degree of ♄ culminates, and the first of ♊ ascends. Jupiter holds the mid-heaven in its exaltation, and ♀ in ♈ is just about to rise. These two portents are good for the Government of that country and for the general health and prosperity of the country. The Sun eclipsed in the eleventh house will affect the Government Exchequer, and will be very low soon after this phenomenon; while ♃ and ♀ holding the second house, denotes a financial crisis or dead-lock in some direction; and ♂ in the twelfth denotes some outbreak in the State prisons, and a good many incendiary acts and covert violences.

“SEPHARIAL.”

Dated 16th January, 1895.

NOTES.—The 25th September brings the influence of Venus into play. The New Moon of September 18th will stimulate the influence of Jupiter in this figure. The 5th September and 6th December bring up the portents of Mars into activity; while the planets Saturn and Uranus come into play about the end of October and the middle of November.

The Astrological Bureau.

THE following, in brief, was the scheme which was placed before the Editor of *A.M.* under the above head, and in itself constituted the suggestion which has led to our putting before the astrological world a proposal to form an Astrological Society. It was proposed that—

(1) The Bureau should be a means of research and information to its subscribers; to which end

(2) A competent staff of workers, attached to the office of the *A. M.*, should be engaged, and divided into three distinct departments:—

(a) “Researchers,” pure and simple, to investigate astral causes in all abnormal or anomalous cases which may be submitted to them, or which they may themselves gather from experience; to suggest and experiment upon the known systems of Directions, both Eastern and Western; to discover, if possible, new methods which will yield reliable results and serve to bridge over the void of obscurity separating the luminous records of the ancient oriental astrologers and our modern incomplete knowledge of the science; and, finally, to put all such researches on record for publication, in the first place, to subscribers to the Bureau, and, secondly, to the public, if deemed expedient.

(b) “Recorders,” whose office it shall be to con the passage of current events; to put them on record with the predictions, wherever appearing, which may refer to them; to supply ephemeral records of mundane events and their astral causes, whenever possible; and to endeavor to complete a system of astrological records, in such form as their daily experience shall show to be most effective and perfect. Such *Records* to be issued *monthly* to all subscribers to the Bureau.

(c) “Artists,” whose functions shall consist in making private calculations for any subscriber or for any person introduced by a subscriber (in the latter case a suitable fee being charged for the calculation). The information given through this source will together with the calculations, be checked and, if necessary, recast before being sent out from the Bureau.

(3) Subscribers to the Bureau may co-operate *ad lib.* with the workers in the various departments in supplying information which may be of use to them in their researches, records, or calculations; but in any case each subscriber will be entitled to a Monthly Record published from the Recording Department, to calculations for any events of interest to themselves (such affairs being held as *private and confidential*), and to the publications of the Research Department as often as funds will allow of their issue; all the above-mentioned privileges being *free* to subscribers.

(4) The permanent staff of the Bureau should consist of three Researches, two Recorders, and three Artists, working under the direction of the Editor of the *A. M.*, who would act as Manager of the Bureau on behalf of the subscribers.

(5) A suitable retaining fee should be paid to each person employed by the Bureau in order that their actions may be under the control of subscribers through their Manager, and that they may devote their best efforts to the work they are commissioned to do. This fee would be proportionate to (a) the number of subscribers, and (b) the profit on sales of the Bureau's publications.

(6) An annual balance-sheet should be supplied to subscribers.

(7) Subscribers might be known as Members of the Astrological Bureau, or such other title as may be deemed expedient.

ASTROLOGICAL SOCIETY.

To the Editor of the ASTROLOGERS' MAGAZINE.

DEAR SIR,—I heartily approve of almost any effort that may be made towards combination in the astrological world. *For a time* the increasing attention that is being given to the study of the subject will lead to proportionate legal and social persecution, against which only combination can effectually stand. On this and other accounts, I should be glad to aid in the formation of some astrological organisation, provided the pecuniary expense is not beyond my very limited means.

Having been a close student of the science during the last 3 or 4 years, I have learned all I can discover of value upon the exoteric plane, and have absorbed some small portion of the esoteric facts, and hunger for more. But, let us know plainly and openly and at once whether this effort is to be put forth in the interests of the Theosophical Society; and whether it is assumed that Theosophists will be the instructors in the esoteric, as well as the exoteric, branch of our subject. I know ardent students of Astrology who detest the Theosophical bent of the *Astrologers' Magazine*; and I foresee that any sectarian (if I may use that term) bias will at once prevent the

complete success and general acceptance of the scheme. Should the effort not be sufficiently comprehensive; or if we are to have Theosophical tenets placed before us at every step, you will simply succeed in founding a very limited school, which will certainly lead to the formation of rival schools. This latter contingency might not be a matter for great regret, excepting for the bitterness and jealousy that so commonly arises between rivals; and already the *Astrologers' Magazine* has not "let brotherly love continue." To myself and others the Doctrine of Re-incarnation is so much "rot," and is not necessarily signified by, or implied in, the Signs of the Zodiac even when understood on their esoteric side. But while I could ignore all that for general purposes, the majority of the non-Theosophical community would soon throw overboard a valuable science if continually associated with such a doctrine, and, as I believe, so unnecessarily associated with it. However, should a college be founded, its horoscope will be obtainable, and will be carefully read. Believe me,

Sincerely Yours,

G. H. LOCK.

DEAR SIR,—Your editorial note in regard to establishing some form of union among astrologers is surely welcome to all lovers of the science, and especially to those who have the desire that Astrology should be placed in a more satisfactory relation to current thought, recurring a more sympathetic recognition from modern scientists, and also greater freedom of operation from the powers that be.

Surely the time has arisen to prove that instead of it being a vagabond science hounded by public law, and decried from countless pulpits as a relic of the dark ages, that it is the elevating key of nature which enables us to unlock the mystic barrier which prevents us seeing the glory of our universe and the innate power of composite humanity in its countless phases. As one having interest in this subject, I tender you sympathy and support. The *modus operandi* I think should be left for discussion when a meeting is called, as doubtless to each student a different conception of operation will occur, but I hope no narrow partisan spirit will creep in to form a sect or a creed of what is universal and free as air.

Being more interested in the spiritual side of this noble science, I trust that the desire to make a mercenary object, of what is artistic and soul-aspiring, may be eliminated as much as possible from discussion, as the fortune-telling aspect has retarded the progress of the knowledge in the past more than all else. Knowing the deep spiritual and unselfish nature of your interest in the science, not only from a public standpoint, but from a long and sympathetic personal one, I am sure there is nobody more fit than yourself to elucidate and organize opinions and suggestions from students with a view to found either a society or a college for the study and teaching of this science in all its branches.

It must not be lost sight of that a considerable amount of unselfish labor will be entailed upon yourself, and others who may help you, and in this respect personal feeling must be sunk in an endeavor to promulgate

what is for the good of the whole race, so helping what is permeated with the leaven of universal love. Thanks are due to you for past services in the work, sympathy should be accorded you in this new move,

Accept mine,

ATHOMIEL.

DEAR SIR,—I was very glad to read in your magazine that you were thinking of forming an Astrological College. I could not give anything down (£ s. d.) towards its erection; but would be willing to subscribe annually a small sum, and give you any assistance that you may require. I am sure you will be conferring a great benefit to the world by the erection of a college and giving instruction to those who desire to study the science.

W. H. C.

DEAR SIR,—In the March issue I find a suggestion for an Astrological Bureau, or College. If I thought such a thing probable, or even possible, I would throw my whole energy into the subject; yet, knowing the jealousy existing between the majority of astrologers, I fear it will ever remain a "suggestion," and, like an unfertilized egg, it will never be hatched. I do not think it possible to call a meeting of any sufficient number to carry any weight for some months to come. I would throw out two ideas: first, lectures in most of the principal towns; secondly, a college. Now, let free lectures be given, with a verbal judgment after each lecture on a few in the audience, similar to a Phrenological lecture, after which a collection made for the college. Let there be no ambiguousness, but as Englishmen stand up firmly for the truth; "a house divided against itself cannot stand," neither can Astrology for any lengthened period, unless a radical change speedily takes place; secondly, I would like all persons in favor of either scheme to send their names if they think either practicable, stating their willingness to fraternise with each other for the public good, and place shoulder to shoulder to form a bulwark, against which scepticism must be shivered to atoms, giving a helping hand to all those desirous of investigating the grand old science, and clear away the *débris* that still clings more or less in the folds of its garments. A celebrated Phrenologist one day remarked to me in reference to the question submitted to him as to what he thought of Astrology "It is too true." Now there are thousands of the same opinion; yet how little headway it makes. It scarcely holds its own, like a vessel battling with the waves when it should be making converts daily and sailing victoriously along with victory on its banner. Truth must prevail if it is presented to the public in a proper form. Let members cast aside all prejudice, and work with a will, and the close of the century will witness a grand revival of the Ancient Science of Astrology.

EDWIN CASAEL.

The great number of deaths of eminent and well-known persons during the Influenza Epidemic has fulfilled several predictions recently made in our pages. An increased mortality was anticipated from the entry of Saturn into Scorpio (p. 88), from the lunar eclipse (p. 183), and from the Sun's vernal ingress (p. 180).

Degrees of the Zodiac Symbolized.

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L I B R A .

SIXTH DEGREE.—A heifer drawing a plough, and urged by the goad.

It denotes one of very unfortunate life; who will be constrained to severe and hard work for a certain period of his life. The native is patient, enduring, and capable of much self-government. In the end he will assuredly reap the reward of his labours. It is a degree of *Labour*.

7th degree.—A naked man in the act of falling from a rock into a lake.

It indicates a person of susceptible and weak nature, easily led away, and liable to be drawn to his destruction by the agency of the opposite sex. The native may attain to a high position in life, but whatever his position, he is in danger of an untimely fall. Let him take heed against the allurements of the world. It is a degree of *Falling*.

8th degree.—A young maiden weeping over a grave.

It denotes one of a melancholy and retiring nature, very sensitive, and of keen sympathies. The native will be in danger of early bereavement, and will at an early age be left almost devoid of family ties and friends. It is a degree of *Effacement*.

9th degree.—A gladiator, armed with dagger and shield, ready for the fray.

It indicates a person of quick, impetuous, quarrelsome, and aggressive nature, who will incur many disputes in life on account of his irascible disposition, and will make many enemies. The native will be in danger of losing his life while engaged in some affray or quarrel, and should know how to forefend himself by self-command, which is the greatest of all conquests. It is a degree of *Fighting*.

10th degree.—A prison-door, fitted with iron spikes, and framed with iron girders.

It indicates a person of vicious tendencies, which will lead him into dangers of the gravest kind. He will suffer restraint or imprisonment,

or will lead a life of forced seclusion. He will not escape open criticism, and misfortune will press heavily upon him; yet, even the caged bird will sing, and to every prison-house there is a way out. It is a degree of *Seclusion*.

(*To be continued.*)

Hindu Astrology,

AFTER PARASHARA.

(*Continued from page 201.*)

IT will now be more or less clear to the student of Hindu Astrology upon what basis the zodiac rests; how the Nakshatrams (or Asterisms) are counted, and what planets rule over each of them, together with the period of their rule. It will further be clear after what manner the Periods, Sub-periods, and Inter-periods (the Hindu method of computing the time of events, corresponding to our Directions) are to be calculated. To this series of articles a complete set of all necessary Tables will be appended, so that it is only necessary here that the *methods* should be known in order for the student to use those Tables intelligently.

A good deal of controversy has been raised in regard to this system by Hindus who have received a European education, and who consequently wish to appear in all matters to be "up to date;" such persons claiming for the East a common use of Tables of Houses, the computation of horoscopes by Oblique Ascension under the latitude of birth, and a full knowledge of the zodiac, which begins with the equinoctial point. Despite the efforts of these gentlemen to improve their credit for intelligence at the expense of their Jyotish Shâstra, I maintain that, although Mihira knew of the Precession of the Equinoxes, and quoted Parâshara and Garga to the same effect in his *Brihat Sanhitâ*, he nevertheless used the Equinox beginning from Revati, and referred all his rules and horoscopes to a fixed zodiac, which is now (1895) $19^{\circ} 31' 56''$ east of the vernal equinox. In proof of this, and to silence the contention that the system of Parâshara was confined to the South of India, where it is yet in vogue, I refer critics to the *Bhrigu Sanhitâ*, which is in the possession of Pandit Nandkishor of Meerut, N.W. Province. I have in my possession over 100

horoscopes from that colossal work, and in none of them is there any observance of Oblique Ascension, while the planets' places are referred to the fixed zodiac and not to the vernal equinox. Can any further, more reliable, or more ancient authority be adduced to the contrary? But to resume our exposition of Parāshara's system :

LOCALITY.

In judging of the direction in which a person will travel, when such is shown in the horoscope, or again in the P., S.P., and I.P. effects, the following rule is usually taken :—The first house, with its complements twelfth and second, governs the *South*. The tenth, with ninth and eleventh, governs the *East*. The seventh, with fifth and eighth, governs the *West*; and the fourth, with third and fifth, governs the *North*.

So in the signs: ♋ ♌ ♍ = South; ♊ ♉ ♎ = North; ♏ ♒ ♑ = West; and ♈ ♊ ♉ = East.

Therefore, Mars rules the East; the Moon rules the North; Venus governs the West; and Saturn the South.

I shall give illustrations of these rules in due course. Judgment is chiefly to be made from the *houses*, and next, but subserviently, from the signs occupied by the planets.

Judgment by Planetary Position.

In judging the effects due to the planets in the horoscope and their successive combinations in the P., S.P., and I.P. after birth, the following general dominion of the planets must be taken into account :—

The Sun governs honor, fame, nobles, advancement, profession, father, health.

The Moon governs females, marriage, travelling, change of residence, wealth, health, the mother, the house of residence, and native place.

Mars governs fire, fever, madness, quarrels, ambitions, energy, prowess, courage, adventures, poison, hurts, passions, and death.

Jupiter governs the religion (*dharma*), religious duties, the law, the father's brothers and sisters, teachers and preceptors, journeys to foreign lands, devotion, religious ceremonies, good fortune, increase.

Saturn governs the father, disease, wasting, chronic affections, ill-health, poverty, condition of the family.

Mercury governs the mind, the memory, hearing, brothers and

sisters, mother's relatives, sickness, servants, food, journeys in one's own country, pilgrimages, and messages of all kinds.

Venus governs money, apparel, wealth in kind or specie; trinkets, jewellery, articles of *vertu*; the speech, learning, the wife, marriage, alliances, pleasures, arts and sciences.

Rahu and Ketu (Dragon's Head and Tail) govern such things as are denoted by the houses occupied by them at the time of birth.

In general, it is necessary to take into consideration, when judging of the effects of a planet: (1) Its natural rulership in the order of the signs; (2) the house (*bhāva*) occupied by it; (3) the house, or houses, over which it rules in the horoscope.

Rāhu has affinity with the sign Scorpio where it is strong, and *Ketu* with Taurus. These signs are called their *uchha*, or exaltations.

From these descriptions, it will be seen that judgment concerning any planet is derived from a consideration of its rulership in the signs and the houses occupied by those signs, in addition to the place of the planet itself, its general nature, and its sympathies and antipathies in the natural world and in man.

For this reason, the Moon is strong in the second and fourth houses; the Sun in the fifth and first; Mars in the first and eighth; Saturn in the tenth and seventh, &c., irrespective of the signs in which they are found; for they have affinity with these several houses by their affinities in the world-soul, the horoscope of which is *Meshaḷagnam* (Aries for rising sign), during the whole of *Kali Yuga* (the present age), *i.e.*, the Dark, or Iron Age.

PERIODS.

As the general *phalam* (effects) of the horoscope is derived from the configurations and conditions of all the planets, taken as significators for the whole life, so, in judging of the effects of any *period* of the life, attention must be paid to the condition (by position and configuration) of the planet ruling that period as determined by the calculation called *Kālachakradashāphalakathna*, *i.e.*, the dividing of time (the life-period) into its periodical effects. This calculation was set forth in the chapter upon Periods, Sub-periods, and Inter-periods. Its basis is the Moon's place at birth. According to the condition of the planets ruling the required period, so the life and fortunes of the native will be affected.

SUB-PERIODS.

These are considered in relation to the general effects due to the

planet governing the Period in which they fall, and they are subsidiary to the fortunes promised by the Period planet. In this respect they may be considered in the same manner as Lunar and Solar Directions, which will, perhaps, simplify matters. Then, if the Period planet shows *good* effects, it does so from its position and aspects at birth, and an *evil* Sub-period planet cannot counteract its effect wholly, but some good will remain behind. The result is similar when, *mutatis mutandis*, the P. planet is evil and the S.P. planet good. But when both agree in nature and points to the same end, then the effects are forcible, and decided either for good or evil, as the case may be.

INTER-PERIODS.

These are taken as subsidiary to the Sub-periods in the same manner that transits or lunations are considered in relation to Lunar or Secondary Directions in our European methods. The longest of these reaches over a period of 6 months 20 days, viz., the ♀ I.P. of the ♀ S.P. in the ♀ P.; the shortest period is that of the Sun in its own Sub-period and Period; it lasts only 5 days 9 hours 36 minutes. The condition of the I.P. planet must be taken into account, and its relations to the Sub-period planet properly estimated. Its effects may then be accurately known.

In the following chapter I shall give the rules for judging the *effects* of the Periods, &c., with some illustrations. A few straightforward rules are necessary in order to bring the above observations into systematic form.

(*To be continued.*)

We predicted that the February lunation would affect Royalty adversely. The Duke of York was unwell in March. Mars was transiting his Sun; and his progressed Moon was close to Saturn. The Solar eclipse fell near the cusp of his Ascendant. We also predicted the probability of a marriage in Royal circles being talked of. This was fulfilled in the engagement of the Duke of Aosta of Italy to Princess Hélène of the house of Orleans.

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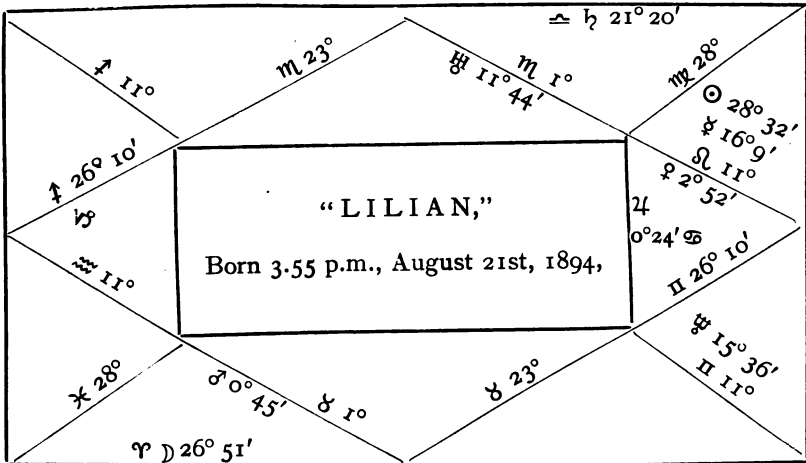
"Sepharial's" prediction of "serious calamities on the high seas and the submersion of vessels" has proved correct. About the time of the eclipse, a Spanish warship was sunk with 400 people on board, all of whom were lost. The gale that blew on the 24th March and the following days was the cause of several deaths, ashore as well as off the East Coast.

The Students' Corner.

BY "RAPHAEL."

I MUST apologise for not sending the "Corner" regularly. I have been much pressed with work that I was forced to do.

I will now present the reader with the nativity of a child that got scalded severely, and died in consequence. The time of birth I can vouch for :—



DECLINATIONS.

♄	21° N. 13'
♄	15° S. 0'
♄	6° S. 9'
♄	23° N. 4'
♄	8° N. 16'
♄	12° N. 0'
♄	19° N. 48'
♄	17° N. 21'
♄	12° N. 27'

ASPECTS.

♄	♄, ♄, ♄, ♄, ♄, ♄, ♄, ♄.
♄	♄, ♄, ♄, ♄.
♄	♄, ♄, ♄, ♄, ♄, ♄.
♄	♄, ♄, ♄, ♄.
♄	♄ P. ♄.

On October 10th, 1894, the mother upset a kettle of boiling water, severely scalding the child's feet, legs, and one thigh. It appeared to improve for a time afterwards, when symptoms similar to blood-poisoning set in, and it rapidly sank, and died November 1st.

The death rather puzzled me, for the $\gamma \Delta \odot, * \mathcal{U}$ were strong indications that it would live. I have not the mother's natus, but the father has η in the fifth in g to \mathcal{U} , which denotes loss of offspring. It was *he* who moved the kettle from its safe place. Aspects *separating* are more powerful than aspects applying, so we must take into account the $\gamma g \eta$, and the position of δ exactly on the cusp of the fourth; also the close application of the γ to δ .

As children of tender years are not their own keepers or guardians, it is but reasonable to suppose that the parental nativities must affect them much. In this case the parents were, accidentally of course, the direct cause of the child's death. The student will also observe that the fourth and tenth houses, which signify the father and mother, are occupied by malefics.

Our friend "Sepharial" may be interested to know that, stretching the period of gestation to the utmost limit, it could not have exceeded thirty-six weeks and four days. The doctor pronounced the child perfect and fully developed.

I was grandfather to this child, and it is unfortunate that the parents did not send for me instead of their medical attendant, for, being signified by the seventh house, which is well occupied by \mathcal{U} , who is strong and well aspected, the chances are ten to one that I could have saved its life by recommending suitable treatment. The sixth house rules the doctor, he being the *servant* of the native. It is no earthly use expecting benefit from an unimportant or afflicted planet or house, and any person signified by such, although their intentions may be of the best and purest nature are fated to be unfortunate to the native. I have seen practical illustrations of this hundreds of times.

Review.

INDIAN PALMISTRY. Price 1s. The Theosophical Publishing Co.,
7, Duke Street.

One of the best books on Palmistry that has yet come under our notice is Mrs. J. B. Dale's *Indian Palmistry*. As the reference hand illustration indicates, it is entirely novel and different to any other work upon the subject. The writer in the preface remarks that Chiromancy has gradually fallen into disuse, chiefly from the extensive nonsense published by



recent writers. One of the writers makes a shallow attempt to disprove the connection between Astrology and Palmistry, while another says it is based on the principles of the Kabbalah, the latter being nothing more than a mnemonical system of Astrology. In this we entirely agree, as can be seen in the articles "Palmistry Astrologised," by Viola, a lady who has many years' practical experience in this interesting subject. We can recommend Mrs. Dale's book to all those who are interested in the study of Palmistry. It is not only the best, but the cheapest work we have yet seen upon the subject.

Notes on Recent Events.

It is somewhat too early yet to look for the fulfilment of some of "Sepharial's" predictions based upon the recent eclipses, but nevertheless several may be noted. "The public health will be below par" is fulfilled in the continuance of the Influenza Epidemic, as is also that of many "deaths among the people." "The Privy Council will suffer among its members," finds its fulfilment in the continued illness of Lord Rosebery and of other prominent statesmen. "Eclipses in common signs stir up strifes and war"—A military expedition to Chitral in India by a British force has been found necessary. On March 28th, some grave comments were made in the House of Commons upon the attitude of France towards British interests in Egypt and Africa. Among the "strifes" has been the great shoe strike, which began on March 16th, whereby thousands of workers were rendered idle. The Moon on that day was in opposition to Mars. "Uranus in the M.C. will make the Government unpopular." We have elsewhere noted the great reduction of the Liberal majority at the Bristol Election. The announcement of the approaching retirement of Mr. Peel from the Speakership of the Commons was made at the time of the eclipse; and the task of naming his successor was the subject of much party manœuvring and wire-pulling, in which the Government did not score brilliantly. In Germany, the Reichstag refused to vote a congratulatory address to Bismark on his eightieth birthday; the Kaiser was greatly indignant, and the President and Vice-president of the Reichstag resigned Office. The prediction that the "Army and Navy Expenses will call for special attention" has been fulfilled in the debates on this subject in Parliament. Numerous reports of the atrocities in Armenia have been received, arousing great indignation against Turkey, the country governed by the sign in which the eclipse fell. This also was foreshadowed by "Sepharial."

Letters to the Editor.

Letters of general interest alone are inserted. Correspondents desiring reply must please enclose a stamped addressed envelope. All correspondents should give full name and address, not necessarily for publication, but as a token of good faith.

DEAR SIR,—I would like to ask, through the medium of your publication, if it ever occurred to astrological savants that *Part of Fortune* might throw some light upon the vexed question of Personal Descriptions. Not, perhaps, as relates to form of head or facial expression, but as relates to the general stature. There is a reason for this, and as I am strongly of the Aries type, with ♈ ♂ ♉, I am not content in any matter without a reason—fanciful or otherwise—to base conclusions upon.

I do not use ⊕ in my work, for I prefer certainties to uncertainties; but I am often attracted towards conclusions perfectly satisfactory from that source when I have exact data to work upon.

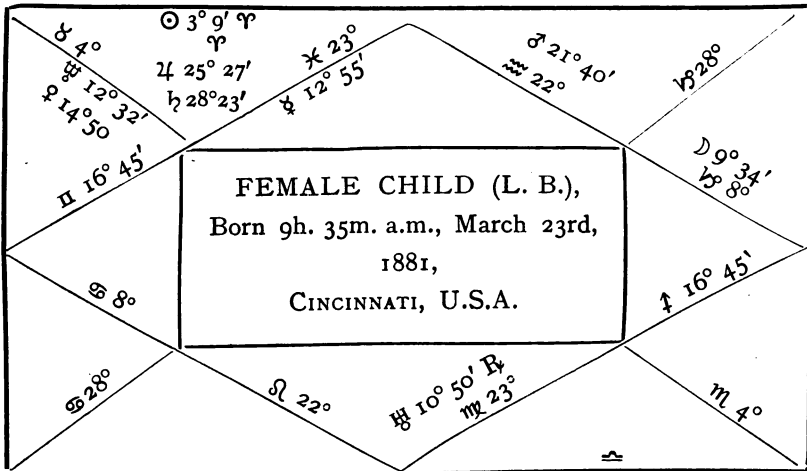
I will not burden you with my reasons until I first learn whether they would be acceptable to your readers, for my time is too valuable at present to engage in such matters unless they would be of interest, especially as distance and expense of mail matters is annoying. Having no medium through which to express my findings, I have to allow the most of them to rest as personal egotisms.

The ground covered by "Sepharial" *Kabalistic Manual* (No. 1.) was covered by me some years ago, and while writing I would like to enquire on what principle (if it is pertinent) that he extends the "Scale of Nativity" into the fourth house, and where the limit would be in the case of some of your nobility who have Christian names enough to wrap up the entire zodiac, as they used to wrap an Egyptian mummy.

Respectfully yours,

C. H. WEBBER.

DEAR SIR,—Having a little leisure time, the thought struck me that I could well utilise it by an observation of some of the salient features in the accompanying natus, data of which is to be found in number 51 of the *Magazine*, in which it is described as a most unusual and remarkable horoscope.



DECLINATIONS.

☉	1° N. 15'
♄	21° S. 30'
♄	5° S. 48'
♀	21° N. 10'
♂	15° S. 25'
♄	8° N. 53'
♂	8° N. 48'
♄	8° N. 16'
♄	13° N. 57'

MUTUAL ASPECTS.

♂ ♂, ♀ ♀, ☉ ☉.
♄ ♄, ♄ ♄, ♂ ♂, ☉ ☉, ☉ ♀, * ♄, P. ♀.
♄ ♄, ♂ ♂, ♂ ♄, * ♄, * ♀, * ♄.
♄ ♄, ♂ ♄, ♂ ☉, * ♄, ♂ ♄, P. ♄.
* ♄, ♂ ☉, ♂ ♄.
♄ ♄, * ♂, P. ♄, P. ♄.
P. ♄, ♂ P. ♄.
♄ ♄, P. ♄, P. ♄, ♂ ♄, ♂ ♄.
♄ ♄, ♂ ♄, * ♄, ♂ ♄.

On an inspection of the figure, one cannot fail to be struck by the configurations of the ♄, ♄, ♄, and ♄. The rising position of ♄ ♂ ♄,

* ♀, △ ♀, △ ♀ shows a refined mind, much delicacy of feeling, poetical sentiment and imagery, a high conception of poetry, beauty, and perfection, a vivid imagination, one who will live much in the ideal, and is apt to set up a high standard in character and manners; one who will appreciate and enjoy perfection wherever found; the aspirations will be lofty ones, and with good style there will be a love of the beauties of art and nature. She will be sociable, and pleasant in conversation. However, from the position of ♂ ♄, ♄ ☉, ♀ ♄ ♄, and ♄ ♄, she will possess a sensitive, easily-wounded nature, and when occasion demands will speak out in language forcible and sarcastic. There is in the natus firmness, much ideality, exquisiteness of taste, a love of order, so much so that if it were not for configuration of the ♄ with ♀, I should be inclined to think that she would become extra fastidious. However, the ♄, ♀, and ♄ will give originality of thought and comprehensiveness of mind, and, although the ♄ and ♀ are debilitated by sign, she possesses good mental faculties, "not altogether well balanced, for there is too much of the ideal," but such as will enable her to acquire knowledge with ease and facility. Music, fine art, literature and poetry, and also a love of romance will be among her tastes.

The elevated position of the planets is favorable for worldly success, and points to the ability to push ahead. ♄, ruler of the seventh, in ♂ ♄, and the ruler of her second in the eighth, generally favorably aspected, seems to point to money by marriage. However, she will not go through life without financial troubles, as shown by the ♄ ☐ ☉, and ♄ ♄, also ♄ ♄, and ♄ in fourth. From the position and aspects of ♄, also the elevated position of ♄, with the essentially dignified position of the Sun, I opine that the married life of the native will be fairly comfortable; yet I am afraid there will be some unpleasantness, in all probability on account of extravagance on the part of her husband. As many of the planets are in barren signs, I do not think it will be a very early marriage, probably about the twenty-sixth year.

There are signs of children shown by the occupation of the fifth and eleventh by fruitful signs, and also ♄, ruler of fifth, with ♄ and ♄ in fruitful signs. However, the presence of ♄ in eleventh, also ♄ ☐ ☉, points to trouble in connection with them.

Many planets in movable signs, ♂ strong, ♀ prominently placed, and the ♄ in aspect with ♄ point to travelling.

The Sun and ♄ in the eleventh will give her many powerful friends; still she will not be without false ones, as shown by ♄ therein and ♄ ☐ ☉. From the positions of ☉, ♄ and ♄ in the fiery sign ♄, and the general positions of the planets in strong signs, I judge the constitution to be on the whole strong. The Sun and ♂ afflicting the ♄ threaten the health, and with ♄, ♄ and ♄ in the cardinal sign ♄, along with the ☐ of ☉ to the ♄ from cardinal signs, she is liable to occasional mental troubles consequent upon a weak stomach, or as ♂, ruler of the sixth, is in ♄, a sign in sympathy with ♄, ♄ and ♄, these ruling the excretory and secretory organs, &c., it may be that the region of the kidneys will be a cause of some little trouble. The elevated position of ♂ afflicting the ♄ in eighth, also in ♄ ☉, seems to point to accident or a rather sudden end.

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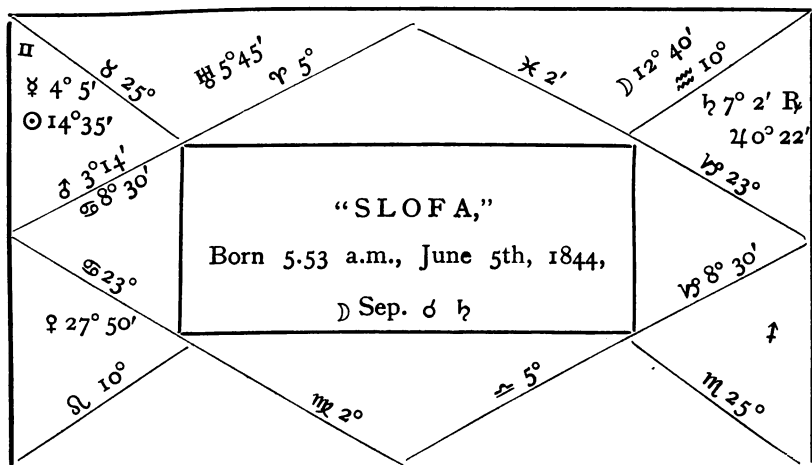
Marriage.

BY ALAN-LEO.

(Continued from page 218).

AS I purpose taking up each case separately, and treating them thoroughly from radix to direction, I will now only give the particulars of another case, and then leave the whole subject until the next volume, when I shall bring it forward under the heading of "Sex Affinity."

The following map represents a gentleman whose fate was death through unhappy matrimony:—



He met his death by drowning on April 22nd, 1886. His brother gave me the following account of his sad end:—They had always lived very happily together, he said, but the wife was of peculiar

temper. "Slofa" had often complained of her treatment, and on the day of his death they had some words, but the facts did not transpire until some time after his death, and then only through his brother taxing the wife with it, which she was forced to admit. They had quarrelled, and he, in a fit of despondency, had carried out an oft-muttered threat of committing suicide, this time effectually.

Mundane Astrology.



This lunation is remarkable for falling upon the Queen's birthday. Because of this, it will have signification of the events in the subsequent year of life. It falls in semi-square to her radical Mars in the twelfth, and the Mars of the figure is in her third house in square to its own place. This suggests danger from accidents while on short journeys.

In the mundane figure for the month, the lord of the Ascendant in the mid-heaven in its own sign may strengthen the Government and assist the passage of legislation. There seems a probability of changes taking place in the Government; some one or more well-known politicians will die. Welsh business benefits from Mercury culminating in Gemini; and, as the lunation is in Gemini in the ninth in semi-square to Mars, ruler of the eighth, the Welsh Disestablishment Bill may pass in one House and be rejected in the other.

The uncertain influence of Neptune is shed upon the mid-heaven, and it will be interesting to watch what results from its influence upon the Monarch and the Government.

Mars on the eleventh cusp will bring death into Parliament, and will embitter the discussions there. The ruler of the second with Mars suggests financial troubles and difficulties over the money bills. The lord of the seventh in the mid-heaven near Venus, a royal marriage may be heard of; if not in England, then in a neighbouring nation. This position also favors peace. Jupiter's position as lord of the fourth is rather favorable for the crops and the landed interest.

The affliction of the third house will bring railway accidents, and troubles in other departments signified by the third, such as the postal service and boating on rivers.

The lunation falls in the eighth house of the figure for the spring quarter (p. 181), and threatens the illness and death of royalty, fatal accidents on short journeys, and violent deaths. About June 1st will be a particularly unfavorable time.

Mercury culminates in North Italy, Switzerland, and West Germany; and it is likely to cause changes in Governments, new legislation, and changes affecting the rulers or authorities.

Jupiter and Venus culminate about the longitude of Greece and Turkey, East Europe, and West Asia Minor, and will doubtless produce some amelioration in those parts and in Armenia; but as Mars follows so close, there is little prospect of permanent improvement in that country. In Armenia, Saturn and Uranus rise.

At Washington, Mars and Venus rise. The Government is strong, though meeting much opposition, and the President and the ruling authorities will be sharply attacked and criticised. Scandal affecting some eminent person will be brought to light.

In Japan and East China, Saturn and Uranus are in the eleventh and tenth, and Mars, Venus, and Jupiter set. There will be the death of eminent public men in both countries, and national affairs very unsettled. Foreign relations improve, and a better understanding will be sought for, although, with Mars in the seventh, all danger of international jealousy from conflicting interests is not yet over.

"Sepharial" predicted that the Government would be "in a very weak condition." On April 23rd the Ministerialists lost a seat at a bye-election in Mid-Norfolk; thus again reducing the already small available majority in the House of Commons.

Palmistry Astrologised.

By "VIOLA."

(Continued from page 219).

THE line of the head rises between the line of life and the mount of Jupiter, and when it is long and clear, it denotes a good intellect, sound judgment, and, as a rule, a good memory.

This line should run wholly across the palm, and in a *slight* droop at its close, showing that idealism as well as practicality is there.

Too straight a line signifies somewhat too hard a character, with a tendency to avarice, certainly great economy. It gives great calculation in the character, and with a short heart line and a flat mount of Mars and Venus, avarice.

If it droops with a fork, and touches the Moon's mount, it signifies too much ideality, with oftentimes a lamentable lack of common-sense. The romantic and sentimental will predominate, and the subject needs to be shielded from the rough edge of the world.

If the lines fork, and one runs below the Moon's territory, a mystic is denoted, a lover of the occult, and often a dreamer of coming events with strange intuition.

If the line of the head be very short, it denotes a great lack of intelligence; so also does a very short line of Saturn—inability and difficulty in gaining knowledge.

In persons of small intellect, a very short line is found, and it is oftentimes wanting in an idiot.

Any breaks on the head line show either physical illness or mental trouble at the age the break indicates. Brain fever, neuralgia, and influenza may all be seen on this line, but it requires a nice judgment to sum up, as trouble may come from the physical, mental, or moral plain, as the trend of the life may be. Just as in Astrology, people's direction may affect health, wealth, or happiness; so it is in Palmistry. The breaks and dots on the lines indicate events for good or evil, but the trouble may affect each individual according to his special idiosyncrasies and mode of life and thought.

It has often been a query, How do the lines come on the hand, and what causes them? They are made by our thoughts, and formed first in the astral light on the plastic nature of our astral hand, and

gradually get reproduced on the physical counterpart. This accounts for their changing, coming and going, &c., and for the lines of past unhappy thoughts or troubles, stamping their record of the event unmistakably. That thought causes form, or takes form, is a well-known fact, and can be well attested.

Of course, the fundamental lines one is born with, but the unaccountable amount of minor lines can be thus accounted for. When the line of the head is broken just under the mount of Saturn, a severe accident (by a fall) is shown to the head—may be a fatal wound. If broken in both hands, and the life line in both broken as well, it means in any case a broken limb, a blow, but not fatal if only one hand shows this break.

Flirtations and mental attachments are shown on the head line; also to some extent friendship, male or female.

A square in this line shows mental derangement; according to the other influence from the other lines, it may be of a long or short duration.

If a long head line is found with a good mount of Mars, Mercury, and the Moon, a great amount of mental work will be accomplished.

(To be continued.)

Concerning a Horoscope.

WHEN the point in research is an obscure one, it is best to proceed with caution, for, as a well-known exponent of Astrology has said, we must "beware of a hasty judgment."

To the end of more certainly determining the true nature of the event to which our researches will point, I have carefully gone over all the available data, and herein propose to sum up the evidence thus brought to light. And, first, let us regard the horoscope of birth, upon which all the rest depends.

The Sun and Moon conjoin in the sign Gemini (a human sign of somewhat violent tendency), near to *Alcyone* and *Occulus Taurus*; *Aldebaran* of the nature of Mars, being close to the Ascendant. Mars in the twelfth house, in the violent sign Aries, in semi-square to the Sun and Moon and to the Ascendant. Mercury, the ruler of the Ascending

sign, in the twelfth house, semi-square to Saturn in the twelfth sign and eleventh house, sesquiquadrate to Uranus, and square to Jupiter in the mid-heaven. Uranus on the cusp of the eighth house in Sagittarius; and the Moon's Node (Dragon's Head) in conjunction with Mars in the twelfth house. Finally, Jupiter, lord of the eighth, in the tenth house. These are all evil portents, quite sufficient evidence being the semi-square of Mars to the Sun, Moon and Ascendant, and elevated above them, with Uranus on the cusp of the eighth house.

Directions.—By adding 1° to the mid-heaven for every year, the Ascendant in the latitude of birth is brought to a square of Mercury in the radical twelfth house.

The chief Solar Direction is the ☉ P. 8 4 R (lord of eighth, in tenth), natural ruler of the ninth and twelfth signs; and next, ☉ P. ☐ ♃ P. in ♈ in eleventh house (ruling the ninth and tenth).

The attendant Secondary, or Lunar Direction, is ♀ P. ☐ ♀ in ♏ on cusp of eighth (the Moon being in the twelfth sign and the eleventh house). This extends from September to November inclusive, 1895.

The Sun and Moon by profectiōal direction meet the opposition of Mars in Aries in November, 1895. The Solar Revolution of 1895 shows the Moon in Taurus in 8 to ♀ in the sign ♉; the Sun and Moon being close to their own places on the birthday anniversary, it being the fourth Metonic Cycle in this horoscope. Mars is on the cusp of the third house in square to its own place, showing dangers from the twelfth while engaged in the third, to speak astrologically.

The progressed revolution, *a far more important and reliable one*, falls on August 8th, 1895, the ☉ being exact square to ♀ in the malefic sign ♉, and the Moon in its node (Dragon's Head) in Pisces and in square to Neptune, while Mars is in square to the radical Ascendant.

We may turn now to the mundane causes:—

1. The mundane horoscope falls in ♈ 5° , and when the Sun reaches this point, viz., 26th March, 1895, it is *eclipsed*! a very sad prognostic for Europe.

The Solar Eclipse of August 20th, 1895, which extends its *direct* influence over England till December 20th, 1895, takes place in Leo and confirms the eclipse of 19th August, 1887, in the same sign and nearly the same longitude. Mars is then exactly in the mid-heaven in conjunction with *Cauda Draconis* and in square to Neptune,

2. The eclipse of September 4th, 1895, shows Mars, lord of eighth, in conjunction with Mercury, lord of tenth, in the Ascending sign Virgo.

3. The eclipse of 18th September shows the luminaries in conjunction with Mars and Mercury of the proceeding eclipse, while the eclipse falls in opposition to the planet Saturn in the horoscope under consideration. This eclipse ultimates for England on November 5th.

4. The New Moon of 18th October falls in conjunction with Mars in Libra, when the Sun, Moon, Mars and Saturn will be in the Ascendant, and Jupiter in the tenth in the regal sign ♄ in square to Saturn.

Turning once again to the horoscope under consideration, we may now note the *transits* which occur in the current year during the months of September, October, and November, *i.e.*, following the indications of the eclipse of August 20th and subsequent ones.

During September and October, 1895, ♄ is near the square of the Sun's progressive place in the horoscope; Mars reaches the same towards the end of November; while Saturn does not touch it till the end of December.

The Sun passes over the square of its progressive place on November 9th, when Jupiter, Saturn, and Mars are in square to one another. Saturn and Sun conjoined in ♍ 9° 59', in opposition to ♃ in the horoscope on November 2nd. The Sun and Uranus conjoin in ♍ on November 13th. Mercury in the ninth degree of ♍ comes to a conjunction with Saturn, in opposition to its radical place on the 20th October. Mars passes the opposition of its own place on October 11th, when the Sun will be in opposition to Mars in the Radix, and the Moon in square to it, being also in conjunction with Mars in the Anniversary figure. Mars and Saturn are in square to one another in the twelfth degree of Scorpio on the 15th November, Mars being ruler of the eighth sign of the zodiac and Saturn of the tenth sign.

Finally, by the Hindu method of calculation and interpretation, which has been explained in these pages, the Period of ♃ is in force during the current and following years. Mercury holds the twelfth place from Sun, Moon and Ascendant, is conjoined with Venus, and *Caput Draconis* in the martial sign Aries. From January, 1895, to July, 1897, the Sub-period of *Caput Draconis* is in force. It holds the same relative position. From 23rd September, 1895, to 18th February, 1896, the Inter-period of Saturn has play. Saturn is in the twelfth from *Caput*

Draconis and Mercury, to which planets it is subservient ; and Saturn is in the twelfth sign, in conjunction with Mars, and ruling the ninth and tenth houses. And so we might go on sub-dividing in point of time, always selecting those minor periods which lead to the general effects of the period to which they belong.

I have computed the Das'â, Bukthi, Antaram, Sûkshma and Prâna Periods in this horoscope, and they all tend to ultimate between the September 23rd and November 15th inclusive, while the closest methods approximate to the 9th-10th of November.

At this time the portents of the eighth house will be carried into effect in this horoscope, through the twelfth house. More need not be said in this place.

“SEPHARIAL.”

Notes on the Personal Description.

FIRST.—The Ascendant in all cases is of *chief* note, for if no planet be therein at birth, it requires to be considered most.

2.—The *sign* in which the *ruler of the Ascendant* is located will, with the planet, have a modifying relation in points of the height, and built especially, of the body.

3.—Any planet, or planets, in the Ascendant and the sign it is in.

4.—If no planet in Ascendant, look to the state of the M.C., as experience shows it to be a magnetic pole and influencing the composure of the body. In one nata, I found $\text{m}\ddot{\text{x}}$ rising, with e intercepted in M.C., with \odot , f , and q therein in that sign, f , ruler of Ascendant, being in Leo. Now, by my method, as no planet is ascending, I take the Ascendant, its ruler's sign, and M.C., and make my description something like this: Middle stature (due to lessening influence of e and planets therein), broad shoulders (f in L), inclining to stoutness; pale complexion (due to e , which inclines to paleness), sometimes a touch of color (f and \odot in e , f in L), temper good, kind-hearted, eyes grey, brown hair. This shows that Ascending sign is not by itself to be depended on.

5.—Any planet *essentially strong*, especially if lord of Ascendant, or accidentally dignified (first and tenth, or seventh or fourth), a planet strong in its own sign in tenth. This latter I have found true from

experience, which is better than aphorism. In my own case nx rises, z in w in fifth, h strong in z , \odot in z , d in r , z rises in a 1.56 z . Now for description: My way, z ruler, is in w (h 's house), therefore I am of dark complexion, hair black as Hades; z is not to be considered much, being R and low down in Ascendant. Really I shall turn out to be sanguine bilious, or dark, with a touch of freshness. Saturn in z inclines to dark, and \odot and h in z incline to well built, which I have every prospect of being. Moon in r should be rather sanguine. Eyes, greyish brown. Stature, middle; would be taller, but h in z (strong), according to my theory, is the cause of this discrepancy. I think if these rules were observed, less difficulty would be evinced in this line of Astro work.

6.—The \odot for a male and sign occupied, and the d for a female, together with its sign at birth. This is no new idea, but cases I have applied it to give it well, especially as a modifying factor in height and build, and, occasionally, color of hair. No more description of persons.

ARIES.—Generally fair; inclining to tallness; light hair; eyes generally brown, occasionally dark; face rather long, with pointed chin. Disposition: ambitious, talkative, speculative, changeable, not long in one place, like to be popular, and endeavour to be so.

TAURUS.—Generally shortish; thickish neck; well built; dark hair; eyes brown. Disposition: Rather vain, conceited, steadfast, not fond of change, and fond of jewellery.

GEMINI.—Tall; long hands and arms; face rather long, scholarly look; light or sanguine complexion; hair light brown, as a rule; eyes grey, or greyish brown. Disposition: Clever, studious, gain by writings and science, very nice speech, and as a rule honest in their dealing and trustworthy.

CANCER.—Middle stature; rather plump; complexion pallid, not very much color, sometimes none; hair sad-brown; eyes brown or grey. Disposition: Talkative, fond of disputes (especially on political matters), like to make themselves prominent in public and other matters; generally successful in business connected with water, or where fire and water are, as in engineering, steamship, &c. (due to r on tenth—fiery occupation), or even public-house keeper.

LEO.—Middle stature; fair complexion, with ruddy color when in health; hair light brown, golden, or chestnut, sometimes curls; eyes brown, seldom black. Disposition: Extravagant, expensive, free,

kind, humane, attached to friends and abodes; also persevering, and if the natus shows it, generally successful in life, especially if Jupiter is in good aspect to their ☉ at birth, then it is more by speculation, and if ☉ also rules second, great wealth under good direction.

VIRGO.—Tallish or middle stature; dark hair, generally black or dark brown; dark, brilliant eyes; complexion ruddy, with a touch of dark (sanguine bilious); occasionally a palish complexion is met with. Disposition: Studious, fond of languages; if ♄ is in good aspect with ♀, they form splendid astrologers, especially if ♀ and ♄ be in, say either ♎, ♋, or ♊. ♄ in ♋ △ ♀, ruler of Ascendant, in tenth in ♏ is very good. Generally they are polite and well mannered, and form decent members of society.

LIBRA.—Tallish; fair hair and complexion, sometimes plenty of color and a good, clear skin; eyes brown, and, if a female, considered handsome. Disposition: Imitative, just in actions; trying to do as they would be done by, especially if ♄ is in ♋; generally respected; occupation something of a public nature (♄ on M.C.).

SCORPIO.—Bow-legged usually; dark hair, inclined to curly; dark eyes; pallid complexion, approaching a leady appearance; features well balanced; nose is a prominent member of the face, usually of the "cogitative" type. This "eagle" sign seems to give a disposition as follows: Thoughtful, cautious, shrewd, possessed of foresight, prudence, economy, and tact; very inventive, ingenious, and never at a loss for a word or action; rather passionate, and apt to think too highly of themselves.

SAGITTARY.—This sign is sometimes capable of imparting a pale complexion; dark, chestnut, or brilliant hazel eyes, not very large; tall, thin; high forehead; long nose; face oval, rather long; hair dark, curly, and plentiful, though in age is apt to grow bare on forehead, temple, and crown of head (♄ governs veneration; in Phrenology this is the crown; natural ninth house from ♏.) Disposition: Kind, fond of sports, athletic; not often bookish, unless shown elsewhere; honorable in friendships and attachments; generous and free to a fault.

VIRGOEL.

On April 15th, a party of Armenians interviewed Mr. Gladstone on the subject of the Armenian atrocities, and the right honorable gentleman spoke very-adversely to Turkey. The Moon on that day was passing through Capricorn, Mr. Gladstone's Ascendant.

Editor's Page.

WE are now nearing the end of our Fifth Volume, and have under consideration many very important changes, and, as we are indebted more to the direct annual subscribers than any other portion of our readers, we shall be glad to have any suggestion from them that may help us to increase the circulation of the only magazine devoted to the science. "Aphorel" (who has not edited the magazine since July, 1894, and who is only responsible for the contributions which bear his *nom de plume*) will entirely sever his connection with the magazine, Alan-Leo having taken over the sole proprietorship and editorship from above date, and "Sepharial" the position of sub-editor; but full particulars will be announced next month.

THE SOCIETY.

The letters continue to flow in, and at last there seems some hope of its formation. A free and unbiased expression of opinion has been allowed, so that each student may have the benefit of knowing the views of those he is likely to come in contact with. Mr. Lock's letter in last month's number requires comment. With regard to the Theosophical bent, this was dealt with months ago, and had Mr. Lock referred to previous remarks upon the subject, he would probably refrain from displaying so much prejudice, especially as he has never studied the subject. The subject of Re-incarnation will be fully dealt with in the next volume. With regard to the brotherly love he mentions, this was regrettable, and arose through the divided interests on the magazine, which has now terminated.

ASTROLOGICAL LECTURES.

We are prepared to arrange for lectures upon the subject of Astrology in any town in Great Britain, provided the expenses can be guaranteed. Those who have a sincere interest in the science should endeavour to assist in this direction, as it would lead to a deeper interest being taken in the work.

THE ASTROLOGER'S READY RECKONER. Price 3/6. The Occult Book Co. —This is a useful set of tables, and will be welcomed by every astrological student. The ready reckoner has been long needed; the tables for finding the approximate zodiacal position of the Sun, Moon, and planets are very complete; there is also a table for the erection of solar figures. The whole has been designed and calculated by Mr. C. J. Barker. His work will be appreciated by all astrologers.

Degrees of the Zodiac Symbolized.

(Continued from page 231.)

L I B R A .

ELEVENTH DEGREE.—A centaur—half man, half horse—armed with bow and arrow.

It denotes a person of a subtile and changeful nature, capable of simulating the virtues and vices of others from motives of diplomacy. The native will be alternately impelled to paths of high endeavour and to those of debasing instinct. The father of the native will die early or will be unknown to him. It is a degree of *Alternation*.

12th degree.—A fair woman looking at her face in a hand-glass.

It denotes a person of a frivolous and light-hearted disposition, improvident and foolish, neither regarding the future nor profiting by the past; laughing in the face of Fate, and closing the eyes to experience; self-centred and worldly. The native will come by much misfortune, but will flaunt his colors to the end of a foolish career. It is a degree of *Foolishness*.

13th degree.—A pillar of black marble standing upon a rock, roughly hewn.

It denotes a person of a peculiar and sometimes melancholy and misanthropic nature; apt to contract false or unprofitable relations with his fellows and with the opposite sex. The native will make a bad match, and will be unfortunate in wedlock, with probable separation. The native, in centring his affections upon one object, will be liable to disappointment in life. It is a degree of *Solitariness*.

14th degree.—A mummer's mask.

It denotes a man of a subtile nature, capable of simulating the character of others, and given to mimicry and imitation; not always sincere, and apt even to deceive himself in matters relating to the emotions and feelings. The native has natural aptitude for theatricals, especially comedy, and is capable of much foolishness and flattery. If a female, a coquet. It is a degree of *Imitation*.

15th degree.—A man walking with two women, their arms linked in his.

It denotes a person of untrustworthy nature; frivolous, insincere, capable of duplicity; of a light, joyous spirit, sometimes running away

with the reason. The native will be given over to self-indulgence and to the flattery of women. There will be trouble in love affairs and in marriage. It is a degree of *Vascillation*.

16th degree.—An iceberg, at the back of which is seen a display of the *aurora borealis*.

It denotes a person of immense reserve forces, of much activity, energy and brilliance ; a quick alert and original mind, which will win for the native some distinctive honors. The native will be disposed to travel to distant northern countries, and may explore arctic regions or pursue electrical science. It is a degree of *Force*.

17th degree.—An old door, in which a dagger is stuck.

It denotes a person who has a critical and quarrelsome nature, apt to find fault with the opinions of others for the sake of controversy ; striking at existing systems and laws when unable to improve upon them. A mocking, taunting spirit, which will bring upon the native a series of troubles in life. Eventually the native will be convinced of his folly by the strong hand of retribution. It is a degree of *Folly*.

18th degree.—A well-lighted house with open door.

It denotes a person of hospitable and homely nature, ever ready with the best of fare to entertain friends and acquaintances. The native will grow to be much beloved for his open-handedness and sincerity of feeling. He will be both prosperous and happy, and will rejoice in the company of his friends. It is a degree of *Hospitality*.

19th degree.—A square block of marble, upon which is a regalia of sceptre and crown.

It denotes a person of proud, ambitious nature ; desiring to be held in esteem, and possessed of such force and firmness of character that he will triumph over his rivals and opponents. In whatever station of life he may be, the native will evince the characteristics of rulership and government, and will sway the destinies of others. It is a degree of *Rulership*.

20th degree.—A man in the robe of a priest standing in the cloister beneath the light of a window.

It denotes a person of sincere, religious tendencies ; a taste for ecclesiastical work, in which he will probably indulge. The life will be quiet, peaceful and free from much of event, perhaps secluded. The

native will have protection and favor from persons of high position and intellectual dignity. It is a degree of *Religion*.

21st degree.—A bridge in a broken and dilapidated condition spanning over the dry bed of a river.

It denotes a person of an impractical nature, serving in positions for which he is not qualified, and making little or no progress in life. His resources will run dry at short notice; he will be deserted by friends; will serve in a lowly position; will form projects only to see them fall through one after another, and generally will work along a false trail. It is a degree of *Collapse*.

22nd degree.—A man asleep by the side of some money-bags.

It denotes a person of little vigilance; much given to self-indulgence; wanting in sense of duty, or energy to fulfil it. The native will lose heavily on account of his carelessness, false sense of safety and want of caution. He will live much in the memory of the past and in dreams of the future, being the while oblivious to the demands of present duties. It is a degree of *Carelessness*.

23rd degree.—An old man in a gown and skull cap, like a doctor, surrounded by chemical and other instruments.

It denotes a person of careful, systematic and patient observation; much inclined to the study of science, especially chemistry, medicine or alchemy. A researcher in the secrets of Nature, given to the careful and accurate tabulation of results which will prove of use to science, and by this means the native will gain for himself certain distinction and honor. It is a degree of *Research*.

24th degree.—A solitary tree upon a rocky height, behind which is a dark and threatening cloud.

It denotes a person of much independence of spirit, self-confidence, pride, and no little love of distinction. The native will suffer on account of his isolated feelings, and will be in danger of betrayal by the machinations of perfidious enemies. At a time when he has reached a height of isolated distinction, he will fall under the jealous hand of his enemies. It is a degree of *Pride*.

(*Conclusion.*)

“The loss of many lives by drowning” was predicted on page 223. On April 27th, at 5 a.m., a huge reservoir supplying a canal in France, between Epinal and Châtel, burst, and, sweeping in a flood down the valley, washed away whole villages, with the loss of over 100 lives.

The Eclipses of 1893.

BY "SEPHARIAL."

(Continued from page 225.)

THE fourth eclipse of the year is a Total Eclipse of the Moon on the 4th September, at 5h. 57m. a.m.; A.R. M.C. = 4h. 49m. 29s., which gives the fourteenth degree of π upon the meridian, and the eighteenth degree of ♊ rising in the latitude of London. The ♄ is eclipsed in the second decanate of ♋ , longitude $11^{\circ} 25'$, and in the sixth house of the London figure. The planets are disposed as follows: The \odot has just risen in ♊ $11^{\circ} 25'$; Uranus is in the third house in ♍ , Saturn being near its cusp in the same sign; Neptune is close to the meridian, and in square to the Ascending degree and to the luminaries; Jupiter holds the last degree of Cancer in the eleventh house; Mars and Mercury are in conjunction in the rising sign and the first house of the figure; and Venus is in the same house, in the third degree of Libra.

The figure is in many respects a very important one. Mercury, the ruler of the tenth, significator of the Queen and the Government, is conjoined to Mars in the Ascendant, Mars being ruler of the eighth house, and also the third. This, taken with the meridian position of Neptune, I consider to be a portent of the gravest nature. It will be advisable for Her Majesty the Queen to avoid travelling during the rule of this eclipse; and the Government will do well to refrain from disputes and warlike measures with foreign Powers. The populace will be affected with a spirit of discontent, and many daring acts of violence will be recorded soon after this eclipse. There will be many deaths from intestinal complaints of an inflammatory nature. Railway accidents will be numerous, and there will be some trouble in connection with the postal service. It would appear as if some serious losses are to occur through that department of the public service. There will be many strikes and a good deal of dissatisfaction among the people, which is liable to express itself in acts of violence.

Jupiter in the eleventh house in its exaltation sign is good for the House of Lords and for the nobility generally, while it also favors the National Exchequer and our foreign allies. The farming interests

during the rule of this eclipse will be at very low ebb ; the public health will be seriously affected ; while the public service—Army, Navy, and Constabulary—will not advance their interests during this period. The House of Commons will be the scene of some very serious and heated discussions.

The chief influence of this figure is exerted from the tenth house, for ♄ rules both the tenth and first, and is in its own sign, afflicted by Mars, ruler of the eighth and third houses. The position of Jupiter is vitiated by the fact that the Moon rules its sign-position, and is eclipsed in the sixth house. The figure is exceptionally bad for females in high position.

A lunar eclipse falling in the second decanate of Pisces indicates "the death of some great and illustrious person." This may be taken in connection with ♄ in the meridian, and ♄, ruler of the tenth, in conjunction with Mars, lord of the eighth house, as pointing directly to Royalty. Falling in "common" signs, eclipses denote "strifes, war, and deaths among the people." In longitude 93° West the Moon will be on the meridian, and will affect with disasters the States lying in that longitude.

In Japan, Saturn will be in the lower meridian at the time of the eclipse, and will probably produce earthquake shocks and other physical evils.

In Burmah, the meridian position of Mars will stir up strifes and insurrections.

At Washington, the planets Mars and Mercury will be conjoined on the lower meridian, and the eclipse will fall in the ninth house. There will hence be insurrections, and the people of America will not favor the governing Powers ; while some physical evils, such as extensive fires, cyclones, and other disasters will do great damage to property. Some mining disasters seem probable also very soon after the eclipse. The Moon eclipsed in the ninth shows shipping disasters and fatalities among the American vessels.

Uranus and Saturn in the fifth house will give trouble to theatres and places of amusement ; and will increase infantile mortality in America during the influence of the eclipse.

"SEPHARIAL,"

Dated 29th April, 1895.

Observations on the "Centiloquy";

OR, THE ONE HUNDRED APHORISMS OF CLAUDIUS PTOLEMY.

By "APHOREL."

(Continued from page 211.)

APHOR. FIFTEEN.—Signs cadent from the Ascendant of any kingdom are the Ascendants of that kingdom's enemies, but the angles and succedent houses are the Ascendants of its friends. It is the same in all doctrines and institutions.

OBSERVATION.—This is opposed to the teaching and experience of most of the modern astrologers, for the house of enemies is generally considered to be the seventh and the twelfth (the seventh for open enmity, and the twelfth for secret ones). The former house is an angular one, and how the seventh (being an angle) can be "friendly," I fail to see. It is generally conceded by oriental as well as the most learned English astrologers that the evil houses are the sixth, the eighth, and the twelfth. The modern "Raphael" emphatically states—"The only evil house to my mind is the sixth." It is also generally accepted by the learned that amongst other things the third (a "cadent" house) is significant of "neighbours," but it does not follow that all our neighbours are "enemies." I am therefore not inclined to accept the tenets set forth in this aphorism, but I do not place this embargo upon my fellow students; I am too broad in my views—*chacun à son goût*.

APHOR. 16.—When the benefics may be controlled in the eighth house, they bring mischief by means of good men; if, on the other hand, they be well affected, they will prevent mischief.

OBSERVATION.—This aphorism amidst other things points out the evil nature of the eighth house, confirming the Oriental and Western astrologers in thus describing it: if we substitute the word "ruled" for "controlled," it will make it more understandable, but I am inclined to delete the word "controlled," and insert "afflicted," which will answer the purpose better. As I have not seen either the Greek or Latin edition, I am not able to say whether the word "controlled" is a fair equivalent for the original word. This aphorism refers to *all* branches of Astrology.

APHOR. 17.—Give no judgment as to the future of a person until the number of years he may live shall have been reckoned.

OBSERVATION.—Sound advice this, but what is the *true* rule to

know the "number" of years one may live? I have never yet seen it in any author, ancient or modern, and, according to most systems, no single testimony must be accepted; in the case of a male, it is generally considered that a planet afflicting the Sun at birth becomes "anaretical," or killing, when in evil direction with the Sun, and then Mars, Saturn, and Uranus, and often Mercury, becomes "anaretas." Having by calculation noted when there are a train of bad directions that seem likely to usher in the "terminus vitæ," then take out the lunar directions, which will fill in the details of the scheme, which are, in their turns, forced into action (or retarded) by the lunations, or (perhaps?) by transits of the superiors; and if, as we have ever taught, that in the case of a female the Moon is substituted for the Sun, the same rules will generally apply, excepting that if at a female's birth the Sun afflicts the Moon, whenever the Sun by direction afflicts the "Queen of Night," an illness or poor health is certain to result; in fact, the Sun is frequently "anareta" to the Moon, when latter is the "life-giver," or "hyleg."

APHOR. 18.—If, while a benefic may ascend, both the luminaries should be in the same minute (of the same degree and sign), the native will be equally and highly prosperous in all things which can befall him. So, likewise, if the luminaries be mutually opposed by the east and the west. But the contrary effect will be produced should a malefic be on the Ascendant.

OBSERVATION.—This is an exceptional case, for, although I have examined about a couple of thousand horoscopes, I have never yet met with the positions, hence I cannot speak from experience, but whilst it is almost universally accepted that he who has an unaffected benefic ascending makes headway through the world, it is not in accordance with my experience that a contrary effect is produced when a malefic rises. On the other hand (excepting Saturn), if Mars, Uranus, or an afflicted Mercury be there, the native *will* make headway, and if the planet on Ascendant is dignified, he will attain *great success*; but whilst *all* things signified by malefics mean trouble, he or she will have to *work* for whatever position they attain to, but when they get it they hold it, and especially if the Ascendant is a "determined" sign.

APHOR. 19.—The efficacy of purgation is impeded by the Moon's conjunction with Jupiter.

OBSERVATION.—This I cannot personally vouch for, but anyone can verify this by noticing that on April 29th, at about 10 a.m., and on May 27th, at about 2 a.m., the Moon is in conjunction with Jupiter.

If they take a pill, &c., at these times they can easily verify it, and communicate the result to the Editor as to whether the aphorism is true or false, thus demonstrating the "practical" side of Astrology.

APHOR 20.—Pierce not with iron that part of the body which may be governed by the sign actually occupied by the Moon.

OBSERVATION.—This aphorism is especially applicable to surgeons, farmers, and those whose avocations are of similar nature. Most of the almanacs insert this aphorism in their pages. "Raphael" says (and as he is a practical farmer his word is reliable): "*Castration* should not be performed when the Moon is in ♈, ♉, or ♊, or the animal will not thrive, and may die. The parts of the body ruled by the signs are: ♈ (Aries), head and face; ♉ (Taurus), throat, neck, and ears; ♊ (Gemini), arms and shoulders; ♋ (Cancer), breast and stomach; ♌ (Leo), heart and back; ♍ (Virgo), bowels and belly; ♎ (Libra), reins, kidneys, and loins; ♏ (Scorpio), secret parts; ♐ (Sagittarius), hips and thighs; ♑ (Capricorn), knees and hams; ♒ (Aquarius), legs and ankles; ♓ (Pisces), feet and toes. This may afford our readers an opportunity of verifying the truth of the aphorism, if they know the time when any operation has been performed upon an animal or man, and it is one I would like to bring prominently to the notice of my medical readers.

APHOR. 21.—When the Moon may be in Scorpio or Pisces, purgation may be advantageously used, provided the lord of the Ascendant be coupled with some star posited below the earth. If he be coupled with a star placed above the earth, the potion swallowed will be vomited up.

OBSERVATION.—In my opinion this is nonsense, especially the concluding portion; anyhow, students can easily test it, but especially our medical friends, whose opinion I value.

APHOR. 22.—Neither put on nor lay aside any garment for the first time when the Moon may be located in Leo. And it will be still worse to do so should she be badly afflicted.

OBSERVATION.—This is a very practical aphorism, and one that all who possess "Raphael's" *Almanac* or *Ephemeris* can verify. Should any of our readers feel inclined to test this, let them particularly notice the time they put on, or set aside, any article of wearing apparel, and communicate the result. A few dates when the Moon is in Leo follows—May 1st and 2nd, 29th and 30th; June 25th and 26th; July 22nd and 23rd.

(To be continued.)

Notes on Recent Events.

"Sepharial" predicted (p. 208) "earthquake shocks in the Grecian Archipelago." Very severe shocks were felt in the longitude indicated, but they were at the worst to the north of Greece, in West Austria and North Italy. The shocks began about 11.15 p.m. on 14th April, and lasted off and on several days. The Moon was then rising in the beginning of Capricorn, near the square of the place of the Solar eclipse in Aries of March 26th: it was in opposition to Mars and Jupiter, which were therefore setting.

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On page 223 will be found the prediction of "trouble in our foreign relations; questions of finance or taxation may be discussed, and bring us annoyance abroad." This accurately foreshadowed the trouble between England and Nicaragua, which arose out of a dispute over an indemnity, and resulted in a British Naval Force being landed at Corinto to enforce England's demands. Martial law was proclaimed in the country.

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"Calamities on the high seas and the submersion of vessels" was predicted on page 183 from the lunar eclipse by "Sepharial." On April 14th there was a collision between two vessels off the Kent coast, whereby a steamer was sunk. On April 21st there was a collision off Mumbles Head, in which a steam-tug was sunk and three lives lost. Later in the month fragments of a vessel were picked up in the Channel with some bodies, afterwards ascertained to be the remains of the steamer "Marie," which had perished from some unknown cause.

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The indications respecting affairs in China and Japan have been very complicated in recent figures, thereby resembling the political events themselves. In the figure for the Spring Quarter in East China, Mercury, lord of the seventh, was rising, thus favoring peace. The treaty of peace was signed on April 17th; but at the Solar Eclipse, the place of the eclipse fell near the cusp of the seventh house, thus rendering the peace very insecure. Peace had no sooner been signed, than protests were sent to Japan from France, Germany, and Russia, which nations objected to the terms of peace. The current figures seem to indicate that, for the time being, pacific counsels will prevail; though the rising of Mars on April 25th, and its setting on May 24th, show some elements of disturbance.

"LUCK"—A JUPITER MAN.

"Marmaduke" writes:—"A millionaire financier was recently asked to join a party at whist. Before consenting he warned the others that he could do what he liked with the cards. When he came to deal, he turned up the ace of diamonds, and proposed to lay the hand upon the table. The offer was accepted. He held every trump! The story is true,"—*Truth*, 14th February, 1895.

Letters to the Editor.

Letters of general interest alone are inserted. Correspondents desiring reply must please enclose a stamped addressed envelope.

All correspondents should give full name and address, not necessarily for publication, but as a token of good faith.

DEAR SIR,—Referring to the suggestion made to form an Astrological College, I am pleased to say that I am perfectly at one with the idea, and hope it may become an accomplished fact. I am not much of a practical astrologer, yet the little I do know shows me what a vast area of knowledge it opens up; it is in reality one of the seven keys to the understanding evolution. Yet, though we cannot, through lack of the necessary spiritual perception, read the minutes on the great clock of our system, Astrology does enable us to faintly discern the trend of events as far as our little planet goes, at any rate. I think that a band of earnest students, meeting together and comparing notes, may, especially with the help that the works of H. P. B. afford, get nearer the inner truths of the science, and clarify it from the incrustations that have grown around it, an understanding which, alas, we seem far from attaining, but which it is quite evident that the Ancients possessed to a far greater degree than we at the present day.

It does not seem to me that the Class, College, or Society to be formed should necessarily be a large one. The *desideratum* is rather that the students be in earnest, and then, even if their numbers be small, they will soon attract others. Form a nucleus of astrological students, and let those interested in the practical part devote themselves to the class wherein it is taught, whilst those interested more in the theoretical, or esoteric side, would naturally attach themselves most to the class taking up that branch.

It seems to me there should be very little expense in the working of the scheme, and that if there be astrologers really interested in the science and wishing to know more about it, there should be no difficulty in getting them to meet for the discussion of matters of which they are mutually desirous of gaining knowledge. I look upon the scheme as a means of gaining much vital knowledge, knowledge which the world much lacks, and as such heartily welcome the idea. You may therefore rely upon my willing assistance, as far as I am able to give it, in support of the intended venture. With best wishes,

Believe me, fraternally yours,

VINCENT J. J. LEWIS.

SIR,—I cannot resist writing to you to say how thoroughly I agree with the letters of "Sepharial," "Raphael," and "Leo," which appeared in the *Astrologers' Magazine* for April, and how earnestly I hope to see some result follow from this discussion in the near future.

There is one part of "Raphael's" letter which I think deserves consideration, and that is where he says "nothing is so difficult to form as a Society

of Astrologers, because the majority of astrologers are under Uranus, &c." Having regard to this fact of Uranus ruling so strongly, which I believe to be true, I venture to suggest that no attempt to form a Society should be made at present whilst Uranus is retrograde. But, still, I can see no harm in discussion, as by that means we obtain definite ideas.

I beg to submit for consideration the following rough scheme :—

1. Form an Astrological Society.
2. Name the Society. (Query " British Astrological Society.")
3. Appoint a President and Vice-Presidents.
4. Appoint a General Committee, or Council, and Hon. Secretary to the Council.
5. Fix Subscription. (Entrance Fee later on.)
6. Appoint Hon. Secretaries, one for each Branch, viz., Mundane, Genethliacal, Astro-Meteorological, Horary, and Esoteric.
7. Appoint a Committee for each Branch.

Note.—Sub-Committees could be appointed in addition from time to time for various purposes.

By this Society, as time runs on, and members become better acquainted with each other, and with what is required, various schemes may be elaborated, as, for instance, the foundation of an Astrological College, &c.

If the above is approved, I would suggest that you, Sir (the expense being guaranteed), should hire a room in the Cannon Street Hotel, or elsewhere, on July 29th, and let all those who are interested attend and form a Society.

I think the day at 2 or 2.30 p.m. will be favorable, and, as Uranus meets no evil aspects for some days after, the Society should enjoy a fair start. I know ♀ will be separating from an aspect of ♂, but we cannot have everything. As, however, I am not well practised in making elections, I should be glad to have the opinion of others more experienced than myself as to whether or not this 29th day of July is suitable. In any event, let us DO something, and let a day be fixed by competent authority, if July 29th is not approved of.

The *agenda* for the meeting might be something after the form of the above scheme.

Yours truly,
AQUARIUS.

DEAR SIR,—As I am one of those persons that have only a little knowledge of Astrology, but want to learn more, I hail with delight that you want to form a Society for the study of Astrology.

For some time I found great difficulty in finding anyone that could put me on the way, or give me any advice how to study the subject, or to take any interest in conversation upon the subject. At last I found where I could get a book, and then I had to study alone, and found it hard work, as I had no one to check me or tell me if I was right or wrong. I struggled for days over some little, simple thing that, had I anyone to show me, could have been put right in a moment.

As I am not blessed with a large quantity of this world's goods, I could not afford to pay fee to persons who advertise to teach the subject, and then I had no guarantee that they knew anything about it.

My object in sending you this is that I am sure there are many more in the same position, but, if there was a Society, then persons would know where to apply for information, and be able to assist each other in their studies.

I send you few ideas how I think such a Society could be formed :—

Title.—The Astrological Society of Great Britain.

Officers.—Hon. President ; Hon. Vice-President ; Hon. Secretary.

Committee of Management.— 6 Members ; 1 Chairman = 7.

Board of Examiners.— 7 Members.

Object.

1. The study of Astrology in all its branches.
2. To assist to get a legal decision of the law.

General Rules.

To be called the “ A. S. G. B.”

To be managed by President, Vice-President, Secretary and Committee, to be elected annually from the members.

The Society to consist of Associates and Fellows, and to issue diplomas to that effect.

An Associate to be one who has sympathy with the object of the Society, or wishes to make a study of Astrology, but will not be authorised by the Society to practise for gain.

A Fellow to be one who has passed an examination, and has been granted a diploma by the Board of Examiners, and to be authorised to practise for gain, if he or she wishes.

It shall be the duty of the Society to institute legal proceedings against all persons professing to practise Astrology for gain unless they hold the diploma of the Society.

It shall be the duty of the Society to defend any Fellow to the utmost of its power if proceeded against for practising Astrology.

Minimum subscription for an Associate 5/- per annum ; entrance fee 5/-

“ “ Fellow 21/- “ “ “ 10/-

The committee to have the right to remit fees and dues, if necessary.

The committee to grant charters to form provincial lodges of not less than 2 Fellows and 5 Associates of the Society.

All monies of the Society to be invested with Trustees.

The question of exoteric or esoteric section could be left for a future time, but let us have a Society at once of some kind, as I am certain that if once a start was made, even if it only consisted of 10 or even 3 persons, it would soon grow, and matters of details could be left to the committee. Let us make a commencement, and work could be done according to funds.

Yours, etc.,
AJAX.

DEAR SIR,—With “G. H. Lock,” I heartily approve of almost any effort that may be made towards combination in the astrological world; but think the time has not yet arrived when anything like a College could be successfully founded, owing to the divided state of feeling that at present exists amongst occult students and astrological practitioners.

I am therefore in favor of a Society, based upon purely exoteric and non-sectarian principles. Astrology, to be recognised by the general community and to be of service to mankind, must undergo a thorough revising, and placed upon a sound mathematical or astronomical basis. It is true a Bureau system, such as “Sephariel’s,” might serve that purpose; but my opinion is that it would be far too exclusive; and Astrology, from its being a decried subject, is necessarily over-much in that direction already; besides, the days of secret societies, and bureaucracies, for the study of occult subjects are numbered; and that which hitherto has been whispered in the ear shall in the future be proclaimed upon the housetops. And those who are intellectually and morally fit, shall understand; and those who are not, will regard it as foolishness. My experience is that esoteric knowledge cannot be taught to the public, however much it may be tried; but there are many amongst the public who can learn it without being taught; therefore, there is no need for exclusiveness.

I observe that a Society in the United States is already taking steps in the direction I have here suggested, but under a different and, perhaps, less objectionable denomination; but could *we* not still keep to the old and honored, though stigmatised name of Astrology, and reform it to meet the advanced and advancing knowledge of the times?

I think we can, and would gladly join or subscribe to any Society for that purpose; but not if it is to be allied to or in the interest of any secret sect, or quasi-religious denomination.

J HEALY FASH.

SIR,—Your suggestion with regard to the formation of a centre or “College” for the better study of astrological knowledge appears to be a good one. Every thoughtful student of this branch of ancient lore knows well the difficulties surrounding isolated effort, and has felt at some time or other the need of a wider experience than his own in solving even what appear the most elementary problems. True, the last resort of the true artrologer must be to his intuition; yet, there is so much really necessary technical information to be gained in the first place, and so much benefit to be derived from the comparison of experience, and the supervision and advice of older and deeper seachers into the starry mysteries than many of us can ever be, that I trust the idea you have suggested will meet with warm support. There are many men and women groping for light on this science, struggling with text-books and pattern horoscopes, who will doubtless, Sir, be only too glad to avail themselves of the opportunities the College will afford of coming into closer contact with fellow-devotees. Thus, scattered bricks will be united in one firm chain, and with the impetus derived from a common aspiration a purified Astrology should be in a fair way to take its true rank among the divine branches of ancient magic. Yours, &c.,

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Palmistry Astrologised.

By "VIOLA."

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THE line of Saturn—or line of Fate—has oftentimes in different hands a different point of departure. Sometimes it rises in the line of life, when Fate rules the life largely; sometimes in the plain of Mars, when worry, law suits, fighting, and mental (if not physical) battles may be expected; sometimes it starts from the Moon's mount, which signifies happiness and love, unless it stops short at the heart line, when sorrow and a very unhappy attachment is to be looked for. When the line of Fate runs in a direct line to its own mount, starting from the wrist (or nearly so), it is a sign of a life of extreme happiness; if it is tortuous, or winding, or broken here and there, many changes and ups and downs; each break indicates a removal or change, either residence or change of condition. This may be on the mental, moral, or spiritual plane. The age on this line is counted from the wrist upwards. From the wrist to the head line, chiromancists count thirty-five years; from the line of head to line of heart, fifteen years; from the line of heart to the root of the finger are the remaining years of life. The line of Fate is one of great importance, for it connects and modifies the significations both of the lines and the mounts.

A double line of Fate, rarely seen, is evil, showing moral corruption; a cross on this line is a sign of a severe trouble or pain at the age shown by its position on the line; a star indicates a terrible shock, and for its nature you will have to notice the line of heart and head, and life line.

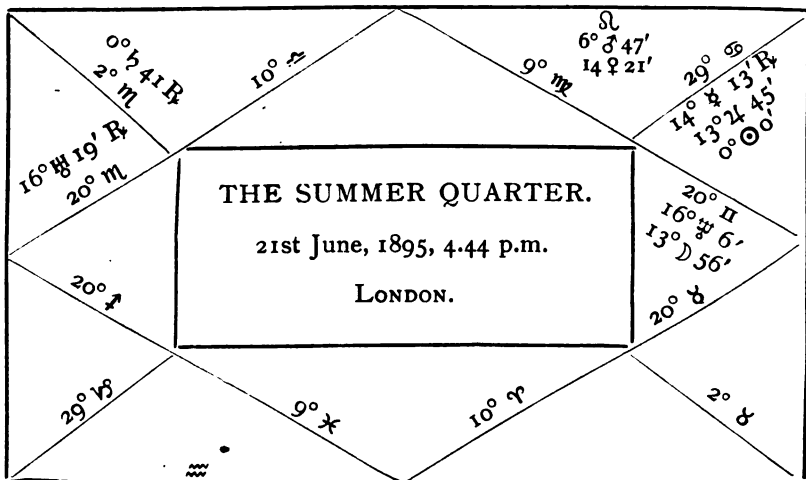
Downward lines from the line of heart show heart sorrows at the periods when they cross the line. Widowhood may be judged if there is a break on the fate line and a star or break on the heart line.

twelfth, and here we find that all planets (excepting the Sun) are in two of these malefic portions of the heavens, and this is not the worst of it, for the three malefics are in close conjunction, and although Venus is in her own sign (Taurus), she is in close opposition to the Moon, the latter in the significant sign Scorpio in the sixth house. The native is a handsome woman, fair skin, dark eyes, and dark hair (but she has tried to improve nature by dyeing the latter golden), height about 5-ft. 8-in., very stout, vivacious and fascinating in her manner.

She has been married, but her husband has separated from her several times, the reason for which can be readily seen, and he finally left her about three years ago. She has had several children (seven I think), and, what is remarkable, *three twins!!* I wish I could have obtained the birthtime of the children, for it would have thrown much light on many matters in connection with the horoscope. As this triplicity of twins may cause some pertinent inquiry as to the bi-corporality of certain signs, it will be seen that the Sun is the *only* planet in such a sign, but the Sun rules the fifth house (children), likewise Mercury, lord of Virgo (intercepted), but it will be seen that *all* the planets (except the Sun and Jupiter) are in prolific signs, and in this respect Venus is aided and abetted by the Moon, who brings her nature to fruition. I am of opinion that when planets are in any zodiacal sign, they affect one another more or less according to their respective distances, and I think this case, amongst others I have seen, proves it. As will be seen, Mars is leaving Uranus, and is translating his influence to Venus (after passing the opposition of the radical Moon). He is in his "fall," and rules the house of self-undoing (the twelfth), and partly rules the sixth. When the native attained adolescence, Mars came to the opposition of the Moon and the conjunction of Venus, and the usual events under such aspects and positions came to pass. It will at once be seen it is not a horoscope where *morality predominates!* On the contrary, she was a person of *intense* feelings (six planets in fixed signs), very extravagant (she could not curtail her expenditure, for if her income was £100 a year, she would live up to about £500), but she never was and never will be well off, for Mercury, ruler of her first and second is sesquiquadrate to Jupiter, the general significator of finance, and he is in an evil house; she *will* have money, and is not particular *how* she gets it, so long as she *does* get it. I might add she suffers in the parts ruled by Scorpio and Taurus, and disease affecting

those parts will usher in the terminus vitæ, and I consider that she will die in an hospital or public institution. I might add nearly all the children have passed away.

Mundane Astrology.

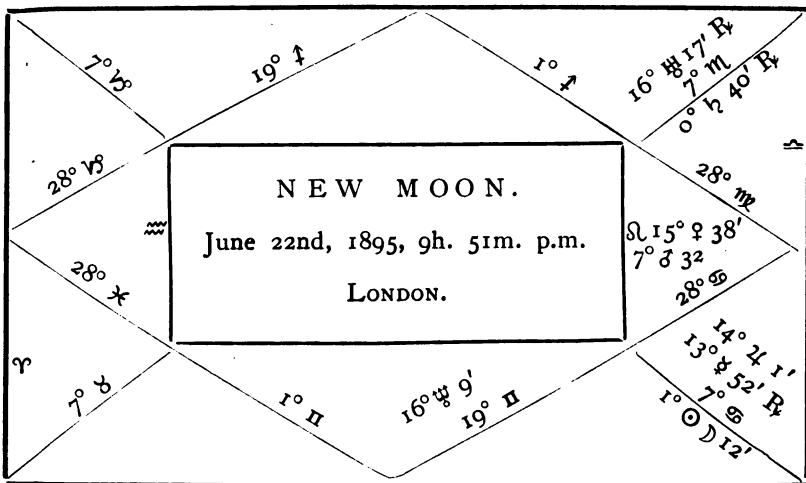


THIS is the figure for the Sun's entry into Cancer. The Sun is in the eighth house, ruling the ninth, and applying to the conjunction of Jupiter, lord of the second. This is likely to produce the death of eminent divines and literary men. It is unfavorable for religious bodies in general, although such will benefit by legacies and gifts; it tends to schism, unorthodoxy and disruption. There will be many deaths by drowning. The revenue of the country from exports is likely to increase, and we benefit in our pecuniary relations with other countries. Jupiter, ruling the fourth, should benefit the crops. Mercury ruling the tenth in the eighth, some eminent servants of the State will die and others resign their posts; but as Mercury receives the application of Jupiter ruling the second, some State servants or officials benefit in money matters through re-organisation or the alteration of existing affairs. With Uranus rising, all affairs governed by that planet will be brought into prominence, some form of occultism will probably obtain notice, and Uranian matters will benefit generally, though one of its public persons will die. The positions (Mercury

ruling tenth trine Uranus) seem to favor arbitration in the matter of the strikes that will doubtless arise. The positions of the Moon in Gemini near Neptune, and of Mercury in trine to Uranus, may bring forward new inventions in chemistry, in affairs relating to the watery element, and to methods of transit. Many new ideas and projects in the literary world will be brought forward. The significators in this figure make it very hard to predict the course of the Government, for the Sun, natural indicator of rulers, and Mercury, lord of the mid-heaven, are both in the eighth house. This should imply death; but as Mercury is supported by Jupiter and Uranus, it is possible that with a dwindling majority it may be just strong enough to avoid dissolution.

In the Armenian district, Saturn will be culminating, and the Sun sets, bringing trouble upon rulers, but giving some likelihood of a better state of things through foreign intervention.

In the neighbourhood of 70° E., Uranus will culminate and Mars set, threatening warlike movements and governmental troubles in Afghanistan or N. W. India.



As this lunation occurs so very close to the Solar Ingress, it does not seem necessary to analyse it at length, especially as many of its indications are similar to those in the quarterly figure. It shows troubles in connection with shipping, storms and death at sea. The health of the country is favorable, and inventions or new movements connected with hygiene or medical science may be brought forward. Some slight foreign troubles and international friction are probable,

especially in the countries slightly to the east of the longitude of Greenwich, where Mars will set.

Matters signified by Mercury and Jupiter in the quarterly figure may be expected to become prominent about July 5th-6th.

LEO.

Hindu Astrology,

AFTER PARASHARA.

(Continued from page 234.)

THE following is a copy of a horoscope taken from the *S'ukra Nādi*, a famous work upon horoscopes existing in South India :—

11	10	Moon.	Venus.
12	27th February, 1868. About 1 p.m., G. M. T.		Sun. Mercury. Mars. D.T. Jupiter.
Leo. 1 D.H.			6
2	3	Saturn.	5

The following is a free translation of the text of the horoscope :—

The Lagnam (rising sign) is Leo, and the Dragon's Head is rising in that sign ; Saturn is in the fourth in the sign Scorpio ; Jupiter, Dragon's Tail, Mars, Mercury, and the Sun occupy the seventh house in the sign Aquarius ; Venus in the eighth in Pisces, and the Moon in Aries in the ninth house.

The street in which the native will be born lies east and west. The front of the house will face the south ; the street will have two rows of houses. He will be born in a house belonging to his parents.* In the

* This term includes uncles and aunts, just as the Hindu "Brother" includes cousins.—S,

west end of the street there is a Temple devoted to Ganesh (an avatar, or manifestation of the god Shiva, the third person of the Hindu Trinity). There is also a small tank. To the east of the house there will be a Temple of Shiva with a tank. He will be born in a Brahmin family in his uncle's house. (*See* Foot-note.) His father's house will be in a south-east direction from place of birth, and it will face the north. In that house the native will live.*

His complexion will be of a ruddy tinge, his body of medium bulk; rather tall stature; the head somewhat large in comparison with stature; long hands and legs; of moderate figure; well-set teeth; small eyes. He will not utter falsehood or slander; will have a cheerful countenance. Thus will the native be born into this world. Beside Tamil (the dialect of his district), he will speak some more languages; will be a good mathematician; and will have a friend who belongs to the aristocracy. He will become the friend of rulers.

I will now give the native's brothers and sisters. He will have two brothers and one sister, all of whom will be his elders. There will be none born after him. Altogether the parents will have four children, and all four will live. There will be three uncles on the father's side, and two aunts on the father's side.

He is of modest and retiring disposition. His family will be wealthy. Land will form the chief element of livelihood.

I now record his previous birth: In Southern Conjeevaram, in the village of Chittoor. He was a tradesman (*i.e.*, of the Vaishya caste), having goodness for his ornament. He worshipped Shiva three times a day. He received the grace of S'ankara (Shiva). The god said to him: "You have three more births to exhaust from *Prārabdha Karma*" (acts done in the past.—S.), and the god told him that afterwards he would pass into the house of Moksha (*i.e.*, the ninth house; *lit.*, the house of liberation.—S.), and in consequence this birth has followed.

In a well-educated family, in his twentieth year, in his own village and in the direction of Sagittarius, and among his own relatives, he will marry. In his twenty-fourth year, he will have a female child born, and afterwards sons will be born. This native will have *two* wives, *i.e.*, he will marry a second wife a year after the death of the

* It is customary in India for the wife to leave the husband immediately after conception. This explains the native being born in his uncle's house.—S.

first. He will be happy in marriage. He and his second wife will agree, and they will have two female and one male issue. Wealth will increase. In his youth he will go to many places, and will learn four languages, of which he will be proficient in two. He will learn the foreign language of the Court, and will pass an examination therein, and in his twenty-fourth year he will get a Government appointment. In his twenty-seventh year he will become proficient in the law (*i.e.*, he will take a legal degree). He will progress in his occupation. He will get wealth. He will have some briefs. After the thirtieth year he will become very fortunate. He will have all the accessories of wealth; horses, carriages, &c. He will perform charities of some magnitude. His wealth will be undiminished throughout, as it is given him by S'ankara, and it will increase day by day.

For ten years (from thirty to forty) there will be an increase of fame. He will have large houses. He will do two things of importance. There will be a further increase of landed property.

After forty, till forty-four, there will be trouble on account of relatives. There will then be much expenditure. Treachery in many forms will assail him, but all these things will vanish by devotion to Shiva (his Deity).

In the remainder of his days he will have good fortune. Lakshmi (the goddess of fortune, the Hindu Venus.—S.) will live in his house. He will, by his good fortune, acquire 4,200 gold pieces (Mohars), with jewels, clothes, coats, cushions, halls, gardens, granaries, &c. He will live in the midst of this prosperity and will perform his religious duties. He will establish a water-shed (a most desirable thing in the arid plains of South India); he will dig tanks and establish choultries (relief and rest-houses for travellers.—S.) He will perform many services. As the Sun is in his seventh house with Shiki (Mars), he will go to Setie (Râmeshvaram) and will bathe there.* He will worship Shiva and his wife Ambika (Parvati). He will have increasing wealth. His mother will live till the native's thirty-second year, and his father till the native's thirty-fifth year.

In his third year he will have some illness, but it will disappear. In his seventh year, fever. In his thirteenth, dysentery. In his twenty-fourth year he will have a slight fever. In his twenty-seventh he will

* Certain places, sacred to the various Deities, as Râmeshvaram to Râma, are held in esteem by devotees who make long pilgrimages to them.—S.

have severe sickness on account of cold, but by worship of Shiva, or by Japam (religious observances), all this will vanish. In his thirty-first year, owing to fear, he will get some disease which will give him a lot of trouble, will last for a month, and then he will recover. His body will become thin. In his fortieth year he will have impurities of the blood and bad eruptions on the body. And then he will have some smaller evils, but they will be transitory. But the native must pronounce the name of Shiva 1,000 times and feed seven Brahmins. He must approach cows and give grass to them, and if he perform *abhishekam* (bathing ceremonial), all bad influences will vanish.*

In his fifty-seventh year, in the white fortnight (increase) of the Moon, on Nauvani (the ninth day of the Moon's age), on account of fever, he will quit all connection with this world; his Ego will leave his body and will incarnate in another Brahmin family in *Pandyadesha* (Madura and Tinnevely districts). [A verse here gives the places of the planets, &c., in the horoscope: Leo rising, Saturn in Scorpio, the Sun, Mercury, Mars, Dragon's Tail and Jupiter in Aquarius, Venus in Pisces, and the Moon in Aries.—S.]

NOTES.—The languages which the native was to learn are correctly stated. The brothers and sisters, and uncles and aunts on the father's side are correctly given. His marriage and the birth of a female child in his twenty-fourth year are correct predictions, as events have shown. He has attained proficiency "in two languages" out of the four he was to learn, and has taken a B.A. degree in English and Tamil. He took a post in his 24th year as stated, and in his twenty-fifth was studying for the law, taking his B.L. degree in his twenty-fifth year. The remaining predictions have to be seen at a later age. Bathing at Râmeshvaram is mentioned. Observe Jupiter, lord of fifth, (bathing) in Aquarius, joined to Mars (Râma). The house belonging to his "parents" is shown by Saturn being in the fourth and ruling the seventh; and the Temple to Ganesh with a tank to the west end of the street is shown by Saturn (Shiva) in Scorpio in the fourth house. Scorpio being a west sign and ruling tanks and pools. His father's house being S.E. from the birthplace is shown by Mars, lord of fourth (father) in ♋ (a south-east sign); and in that house the native will live, for the Sun, lord of Ascending sign, is in the same sign.

* The curious blend of astrological lore and priestcraft here shown is a matter of extreme interest, as the difference to the native by the non-observance of this injunction is decidedly problematical.—S.

Languages: Ruled by Mercury, lord of second, in Aquarius, joined to three other planets, viz., Sun, Mars, and Jupiter. Marriage: Took place under the Moon's Period, and, as the Moon is in the ninth house, it was "in the direction of Sagittarius." The Sub-period was Dragon's Tail, which is in the seventh house and in the eleventh from Moon, and in the eleventh sign. The first child was born in the Sub-period of Jupiter (lord of fifth) and in the Period of Mars (lord of fourth and ninth), Jupiter being conjoined to the planet Mars. Observe that the fourth and tenth houses govern "female" progeny. The mother's death is shown to take place under Rahu's Period and Sub-period; the Dragon's Head being in the first house; the father's death being under the Period of Dragon's Tail and Saturn, which latter planet afflicts the fourth house (father) by his presence there. The native's death is shown to take place under Jupiter's Period, he ruling the eighth house, and in the Sub-period of Venus, she being in the eighth, and in the twelfth from Jupiter.

"SEPHARIAL."

Astrology in North London.

IT would have been strange had not that curious wave of mysticism which is so largely influencing the thought of the present age revived an interest in this most ancient of all sciences—Astrology. "Dead and buried" it is not, for in spite of the dictum of Fellows of the Royal Astronomical Society, by whom it is tabooed as being a relic of the Dark Ages, it still has its enthusiastic devotees, respectable followers of the science, who, by globe and chart, seek to peer into the future, and by the position of the stars trace the influences, good or ill, destined to work themselves out in the life-history of nations and of individuals.

Once the science was almost universally believed in, and nothing of any moment was undertaken unless the stars were found propitious. The king in ancient times consulted his chief astrologer previous to declaring war on a rival sovereign, and, doubt not, the ladies of his Court inquired of the soothsayer whether Venus smiled auspiciously on their love affairs. Astrology was the handmaiden of

religion, and, we are told, formed part of the mysteries taught to the initiated in the temples, which mysteries were given out orally and otherwise, but never written down, except by symbols, the true meaning of which could not be discovered by the profane. Thus it is probable that the Astrology of to-day is so imperfect a science as compared with Astrology as known, for instance, by its professors in Chaldea, by the priests of Isis, or the Magi of Babylon. Otherwise, who knows, this England of ours might be governed, not by our present constitution, but by latter-day mystics, blackstoled, reverend patriarchs, who, watching the skies for evil portents, would seek to guide the ship of State safely through national dangers, just as the mariner looks out for squalls for fear of danger to his vessel. As stated, although much derided as an exploded science, Astrology still has its earnest students, and those who, to a large extent, ignore the mere fortune-telling aspect of the science, but confine themselves rather to its deeper side, finding much therein enhancing their views of nature and of life. Such an one—a Magi of Modern Babylon—is Mr. Alan-Leo, the editor of the *Astrologers' Magazine*, who addressed the North London Lodge of the Theosophical Society at its usual Wednesday evening meeting, Myddleton Hall. We give the substance of Mr. Leo's interesting address. The subject, he said, was a very mystical one, for Astrology was really the law of correspondence by which the action of universal law as affecting our lives and destinies might in part be traced. By studying the science of the stars one might come to know their own inner nature, and to get real gain from the science it should be approached with that end in view. There were seven planets, corresponding to the seven senses and to man's septenary constitution as postulated by Theosophy. He would take Saturn first. The influence of Saturn was the greatest evil, because he limited everything. His limitation caused ignorance, for it bound and restricted us; yet, notwithstanding that, he was the greatest good in a higher aspect. Saturn was represented as an ass, and there was a wonderful amount of information concealed in that idea, for an ass, although a very stupid animal, was also a very patient one. We had to conquer the lower aspect of Saturn, and we should thus gain that fortitude which would enable us to rise above our stars. Saturn was cold and contracting, and formed ice. When the Sun was in any aspect of Saturn we had cold weather, whilst, when Mars was connected with the Sun, we had heat, for Mars is warm and expanding.

It was the lesser evil, representing force and desire : that which pushed men on and made them seek experience. A bad aspect of Mars was very bad indeed, for he symbolised the lower nature of man, and, thus posited, would indicate desire tending to act blindly. The desire could be turned into spiritual energy, and to do this was the true purpose of life. Jupiter was the greatest good, the planet that brought everyone good fortune. The abuse of Jupiter was to acquire wealth, and only to use it for that purpose. The other side of Jupiter was spiritual energy, and everyone had an opportunity every seven years of their life to come under the beneficent influence of this "greater fortune." Mercury symbolised wisdom, and had much to do with the intellectual faculties, whilst Venus was the planet of love, and had been represented by a dove that overshadowed, for when this planet was well aspected, the native was overshadowed by good. Then we had Herschel and Neptune, the two higher planets, concerning which little was known. He had found that Herschel corresponded to a higher Mercury, that was to say that it represented the intuitive faculty. He believed that the next root race would be largely under its influence. Neptune would, in part, take the place of the present Venus. It denoted spiritual perception. The seven planets had relation to the seven senses (two of which corresponding to Herschel and Neptune were at present latent in the majority of men). Saturn stood for hearing ; Jupiter, scent ; Venus, touch ; Mars, taste ; Mercury, seeing ; and the whole secret of Astrology was the learning of the proper use of these senses. The Sun and Moon played a most important part in Astrology, for in order to get a proper grasp of the subject, it was necessary that much consideration should be given to them. The Sun represented the spiritual nature of man, or the individuality, and was positive or masculine. The Moon was the soul or personality, the emotional or psychic body through which the senses played. We had to make the Moon obey our Sun, for the Moon, or personality, was only the servant of our solar nature, the vehicle through which the individuality gained the results of experiences in this lower world. If the Moon opposed any one of the planets, the native was born under a bad horoscope. True Astrology taught that what the Moon was exactly aspecting indicated what a man was reaping at the time ; what it was applying to, represented the experiences to be undergone ; and what it was separating from, denoted what a man had gone through. The character could very largely be judged by the sign the Moon was

in, and the aspects thereto. The final emancipation for man was when, by the subduing of his emotional or psychic nature, he ruled his Venus and Mercury, for, being filled with love and wisdom, he would then become fully conscious, and the light of truth from his solar nature would be reflected in and irradiate the lower man.

What were called the seven deadly sins were symbolised by—Venus, lust; Mars, anger; Saturn, selfishness; Sun, envy; Moon, pride; and Mercury, gluttony. The corresponding virtues denoted by the favorable aspects of these planets were—Venus, love; Mars, energy; Saturn, patience; Sun, compassion; Moon, harmony; and Mercury, wisdom. The planets also governed different metals—the Sun, gold; Moon, silver; Mercury, mercury; Venus, copper; Jupiter, tin; Mars, iron; and Saturn, lead. The philosopher's stone was supposed to be the making of pure gold out of the baser metals. It really meant the transmuting of the senses, representing the psychic nature, into the divine spiritual essence.

He could not omit to refer to the twelve signs of the zodiac, which played so prominent a part in the science. To those who knew, in these signs were pictured a cosmogony which was more complete than any represented by any philosophy, or even by any of the great Scriptures of the world. Therein was to be traced the past history of our globe, and therein was its future destiny to be discovered; for within the zodiacal belt was the horoscope of our system. These twelve signs were represented in man. Physically they had dominion over certain parts of the body. Aries, for instance, ruled the head, Taurus the neck and throat, and so on right through the twelve signs. These signs were positive and negative in alternate succession, and each had distinct effects. The Sun in Aries produced a totally different person to the Sun in Libra. As the Sun went through each of the signs a different type of character was born. In Gemini they were intellectual, in Cancer negative, in Leo proud and haughty, and so on. The influence of the other planets in the various signs was altered in a corresponding manner, and the combinations were thus so varied that two persons were never found exactly alike. There was a great deal of meaning in the sign Libra, or the balance, for it was representative of the turning-point of spiritual evolution—the descent into matter and the differentiation of the sexes. It was symbolical of the self-consciousness obtained by the knowledge of good and evil.

For it was through this knowledge that man gained his immortality. It was only by contact with evil (so-called) that we could know good. There was no evil in the planets ; it was only the abuse of them that could be considered evil. Whoever had afflictions in their horoscopes might know that it was necessary for them to gain further experience. We made our own horoscope by the use or abuse of the planets or senses, because what we had to go through now was the result of causes set going in past lives—we had sowed what we were at present reaping, and were now generating in our daily life those forces which the planets would, under the sweep of universal law, bring into action later either in this or in future lives.

As to the religious aspect of the science, that was the side which related not only to one's own nature, but to the myths and traditions of the past, as well as to the teachings of the great religions, and he would say something on that head. Nearly all the religions were based on an astrological framework, for if they took the passage of the Sun through the day and night, and its progress through the twelve signs of the zodiac, they would find an extraordinary correspondence between the tales that had come down to us. They had the birth of Christ represented by the birth of the Sun from the Virgin, or Virgo. Then there were the twelve disciples, having relation to the twelve zodiacal signs ; and, further, there were the many instances of Christ's life corresponding with a wonderful degree of minuteness to the astrological symbology. From this point of view, Christ was typical of the soul passing through matter, and returning at last to its old abode.

In the astrological symbols were many things worthy of being looked into. The symbols of the planets were built up of three forms—the cross, the half-circle, and the circle, which represented the three great divisions of man's nature—body, soul, and spirit ; or the physical body, the psychic body, and the spiritual body. In those three great vehicles of knowledge or states of consciousness, was an understanding of the real nature of life to be attained, and when man could consciously function in them all, as he does at present his physical body, all knowledge was open to him. It was our object to evolve to this knowledge, and a conception of the underlying truths of Astrology would be of much assistance to this end, since they contained hints which, if acted upon, would help in the practical carrying out of the frequently quoted, but little understood mandate of the Delphic oracle, "Man, know thyself."—*Islington Gazette*, May 13th 1895.

Editor's Page.

OUR NEXT VOLUME.

OWING to the numerous requests made by our readers for a lighter and more varied presentation of the truths of Astrology, and the fact that our journal is intended as much to interest those as yet unacquainted with the science as to sustain the interest of students, we intend to make our next volume meet this demand as much as possible. We have, accordingly, made arrangements to introduce some novelties into our pages. "Raphael" will afford some original data and practical illustrations of the science in his "Notes and Comments." "Viola" will continue her "Astrological Palmistry," and will also deal with the subject of "Phrenology and Graphology Astrologised." Alan-Leo will contribute articles upon "Spiritual Astrology," an introduction of the esoteric aspect of the science; together with articles upon "Sex Affinity," which will bear directly upon the ever-interesting subject of Love and Marriage; also will introduce a new method of instruction. An entirely new feature will be the "Monthly Calendar," which will be read and studied with interest by all practical astrologers. "Sepharial" will continue his exposition of "Hindu Astrology," and in connection therewith will give a translation of the famous Hindu Book of Fate, the *Kālamritam*, for the first time rendered into English. He will also contribute illustrations of Kabalistic Astrology, and the true story of the "Red Man" of the Tuilleries, who was consulted almost daily by "the Man of Destiny," Napoleon Buonaparte. "Leo" will contribute interesting and instructive articles entitled "The Theoretical Basis of Astrology," and "Notes on Current Events" in connection with "Our Note Book." For the first time also will be published the Nature and Influence of the Planet Neptune! This will be the joint work of "Leo" and "Sepharial." Other well-known astrologers and writers will contribute, and it is to be hoped that the forthcoming volume will have the effect of extending the influence of our efforts over a much larger field than at present. In this matter our subscribers can greatly assist us, and we trust they will kindly do so by introducing the magazine to new readers. If the name and address of anyone—not a subscriber to the magazine—be sent to us, we will undertake to forward a copy free of charge.

THE ASTROLOGICAL SOCIETY.

We have definitely decided to call a meeting of the *subscribers* of this magazine during the month of January, 1896, provided no other steps have been taken in the meantime, with the view of forming an Astrological Society for the purpose of placing Astrology upon a firm basis. All persons intending to join are requested to send in their names with a promise to attend, when steps will be taken to secure a central meeting place and the exact date decided upon, so that a good attendance may be assured.

A NEW COVER

Will appear on the magazine, and the title will be "MODERN ASTROLOGY," instead of "THE ASTROLOGERS' MAGAZINE" as before. Four pages will be added, which will be utilized for the benefit of the science; also to enable us to fully answer all correspondents through the pages of this magazine. The price will be 6d., and the annual subscription, 6 6.

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Notes on Recent Events.

Prediction (p. 222).—"The place where the lunation falls—5° 8'—is in the seventh house of the figure for the Spring Quarter (p. 181). This will cause trouble in our foreign relations; questions of finance and taxation may be discussed and bring us annoyance abroad." This was fulfilled when, two days after the New Moon, the port of Corinto at Nicaragua was occupied by a British Naval Force, owing to a refusal by the country to pay an indemnity demanded by England. An agreement was come to peaceably on April 30th, on which day the Moon was, at noon, at 18° 46', the cusp of the seventh house in the monthly figure. This incident illustrates the importance of comparing each monthly figure with that for the current quarter; for not only has the New Moon a significance of its own, but it acquires additional meaning when compared with what may be called its radical figure, that is, the immediately

preceding quarterly figure. Each quarterly figure forms a radix, and the succeeding New Moons are, as it were, progressed or directed forms of it.

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With regard to quarterly figures, the most important point to notice is the mundane house in which the Sun is situated; then knowing (1) the meaning of the sign, (2) the meaning of the house, and (3) the aspects, the predictions can be made. In the case of New Moons, the zodiacal sign in which the lunation falls becomes of first importance. Each sign has a definite and distinct meaning of its own, in Mundane as well as in Natal Astrology, and, knowing this, one can tell beforehand what departments of human and national life a lunation in any one of the signs will stimulate. Whether the stimulus will be for good or for evil will depend upon the aspects. The theoretical, as well as the practical side of these matters, will be dealt with in the new volume.

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Prediction (p. 222).—"Capricorn rises, its ruler Saturn being retrograde in the ninth house, in opposition to the two luminaries. This will cause storms at sea and the loss of many lives by drowning, and will affect the shipping trade and exports disastrously." The drowning of over 100 people in France through the bursting of a reservoir, was referred to in the last number. On May 3rd, a ship was wrecked in the Straits of Dover off the French Coast; nine lives lost. On May 5th, a three-masted sailing vessel was run down by a steamer in the Bay of Biscay; five lives lost. On May 13th, two British steamships collided off Brest, and one sank; eleven lives lost. On May 17th-18th, there was a gale off the East Coast with the loss of several lives. On May 23rd, a steamer was sunk in collision off the Goodwin Sands.

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Prediction (p. 222).—"The Government will not be strong and will meet with misfortunes. . . . Some eminent person in the State will die. . . . The rich and the upper classes will especially suffer." On May 1st, Mr. W. Saunders, M.P. for Walworth, died of heart disease (the Moon was in Leo, the heart sign, on that day, squared by Saturn). At the subsequent Walworth bye-election on May 14th (Moon square Saturn again), the Government lost the seat, thus reducing their already small majority. On May 3rd, the Earl of Pembroke died. On May 4th, the Earl of Selborne (twice Lord Chancellor) and the Countess of Kimberly died. On May 6th, Sir George Buchanan, chief medical officer to the Local Government Board, died. On May 7th, Susanna, Duchess of Roxburghe, died. This fulfils "Sepharia's" prediction (p. 183) that "the Queen will lose some female friend by death." On May 8th, the Italian Government dissolved. On May 10th, Sir Robert Peel, formerly M.P., and brother to Speaker Peel, died. On May 11th, the German Government was defeated over the Coercion Bill. The same day the wealthy Abbé de Broglie was murdered by a madwoman in Paris. On May 16th, the Duke of Hamilton died. On May 20th, Dr. Macgregor, a Scotch Liberal M.P., resigned, owing to dissatisfaction with the Government over the Crofters' Bill.

Prediction (p. 222).—"The Budget and financial measures will be a source of trouble." This seems to have fallen more upon the neighbouring nations of France and Germany than upon our own country. On May 13th, the German Reichstag rejected a Government measure having to do with the tax on tobacco. The next day, the French Budget was submitted to the Chamber of Deputies, showing a very large deficit, and proposing new taxes. Under the heading of financial troubles, may perhaps be noted a daring Bank robbery, whereby £3,000 was stolen from a London Bank on May 22nd.

Reviews.

The first number of the *Jyotirndā*, an astrological monthly, price 1d. (one anna), is sent to us from Bombay. The twelve pages are devoted to a discussion of the horoscope of "Sri Shivalatrapati," born on Saturday, 17th April, 1627, with Cancer $6^{\circ} 7'$ rising. The places of the planets are calculated to minutes of space, and the places of Sun and Moon to seconds. The text of the reading is in Sanskrit, and judgment is made according to our rules from the *Sāyanasphutam*, or planetary places according to the European Zodiac.

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Letters to the Editor.

Letters of general interest alone are inserted. Correspondents desiring reply must please enclose a stamped addressed envelope.

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N.B.—Writers of signed articles are alone responsible for the opinions therein contained.

DEAR SIR,—“Raphael’s” case in *A. M.* is very interesting. I cannot make an Epoch fit it, and hope “Sepharial” will deal with the difficulty. I notice that if the birth moment be 3.57 p.m., then the processed Ascendant will, at the time of the accident, be in exact opposition to the ruler of the horoscope.

Will “Raphael” kindly deal with a difficulty in his notes? The sixth house is said to enfeeble all planets in it. One would think it ought to strengthen the malefics, being an evil house. I have lately been dealing with a case in which ♀ and ☿ are ♂ in ♄ in the sixth. The Moon has just passed the square, and no illness or trouble. ♃ is in ♄ to the malefics. Some years since ☉ passed the ♄ of ♀ and ☿ with little effect. An article on this point would clear up a difficulty with amateurs.

Yours truly,

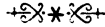
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